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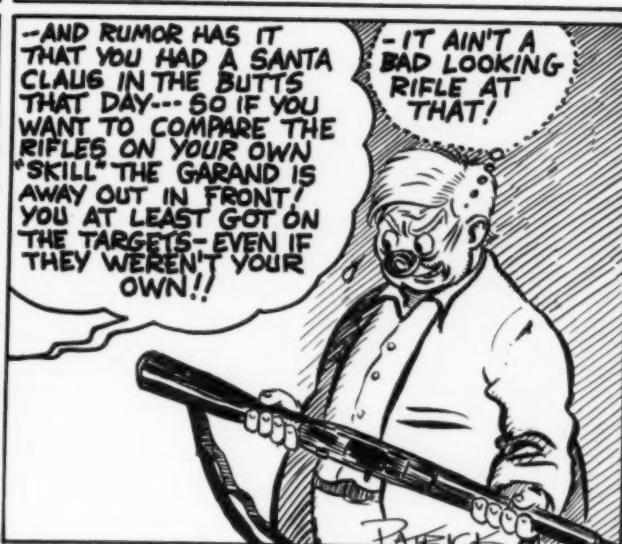
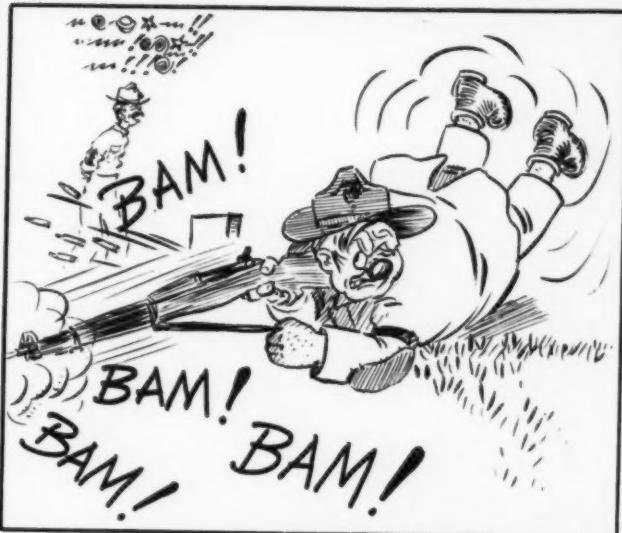
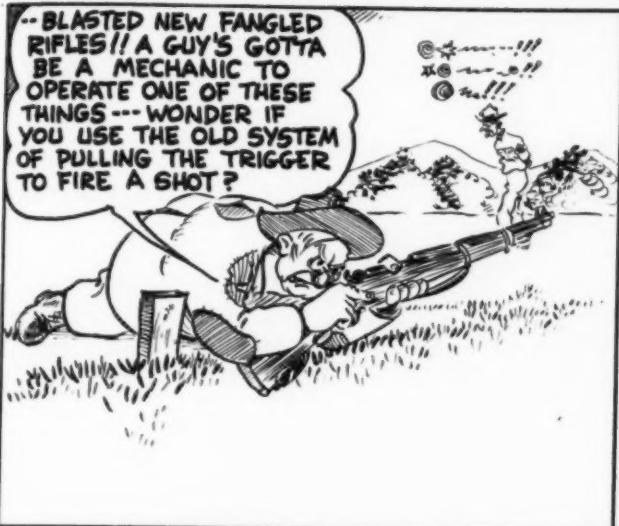
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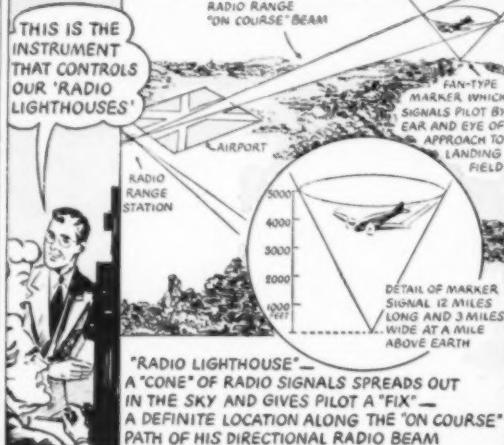
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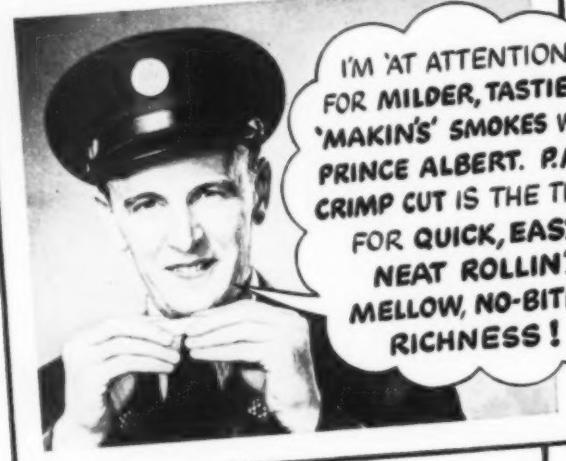
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A sergeant escapes from NORWAY

IT is so far away in history already, the clear April day of 1940 when the Germans launched their attack on Norway, and so many other countries have since then been involved in the war, that Norway's heroic resistance for 62 days seems to have faded out of most people's minds.

In the history of our own country, however, the war will forever stand as a symbol of our people's united will to fight for the liberty and rights which 127 consecutive years of peace had established in one of the most democratic and social states in the world.

Small Arms Futile Against Panzers

Although we did not succeed in stopping the invader, although we could count nothing but lost battles, we all know that we did our utmost, sacrificed all in a fight against overwhelming odds.

It was impossible to stop the German war machine!

But the invaders found that there were no rose-strewn paths waiting for them. They soon learned that a people living so close to nature are keen-eyed and nimble-footed. Every step forward meant a wooden cross along the road. Our arms were not sufficient to damage tanks and panzer cars, but we were able to follow their infantry by ski in the forests bordering the roads and pick them off, one after the other. On several of my ski patrols I witnessed

how the Germans shoved their dead into barns, putting fire to them.

I was several times sent out on skis with part of my platoon to reconnoiter behind the lines of the enemy. There were always many exciting moments. At times we nearly scared the life out of the Germans when far beyond their front we opened fire at short range. They were terribly afraid of the forests and never moved off the roads.

Ski Patrols Move Silently

On these patrols we had usually quite some distance to go to reach a place from where we could get in touch with our superiors, and in order to move quickly we had to ski at night, making use of the crust on the snow. I will never forget those trips; the beautiful moon and the smooth skiing—it was like being in fairyland. In the peace of the night one could forget about war and Germans, and race with the moonlight in among the trees. Then suddenly a disturbing sound would deaden the scraping of the skis on the snow crust, and once more we turned into vigilant soldiers, seeking cover in the shadows while our hearts pounded loud enough to scare the rabbits or birds that had made the noise.

Our guerilla warfare made the Germans furious. In revenge, their ravaging on the countryside was appalling. They also made use of civilians to protect themselves. For instance, as we once retreated into Gausdal valley,

AN AMAZING STORY OF AN INFANTRYMAN'S ESCAPE FROM NAZI-OCCUPIED NORWAY. FOR OBVIOUS REASONS HIS IDENTITY MUST REMAIN UNKNOWN.



we took our position at a good strategic point. When the Germans followed, they encountered the land mines we had set. Enraged, they forced several citizens to walk in front of them on the road. The morning they marched against our barricade, fifty-nine Norwegian civilians, among them the doctor, the dentist and seven patients from the military hospital, the latter barefooted and wrapped in sheets, were forced in front of them within range of our artillery. By a miracle our firing was too high and the Germans coming behind got the salvo.

The Germans made use of one weapon which we could never demean ourselves to employ—the white flag! Every time they were stopped they sent a soldier to our lines, carrying a shirt on a stick. Then the question was, would we surrender? which of course we were not considering at all. On the way back and forth the negotiator would use his eyes well, and as soon as he reached his own lines again, their artillery would pulverize our position.

In addition to this, the Germans could use all their superior equipment and, although our men fought courageously and stubbornly, we could not compete with bombers and tanks in the long run.

Every day brought us new disappointments. Nothing can discourage and disillusion a soldier more than continuous retreat. But all bitter memories are long ago forgotten—just the amusing episodes remain.

A Hat Full of Bullets

I remember a sergeant who was sent with a patrol into "No man's land" along a river where the enemy was following us and already had occupied the other bank. On the way back a severe machine gun fire was opened against them, and all the men went headlong into a ditch. Nobody was wounded. Judging from the direction of the firing the sergeant felt sure it was one of our own machine guns firing. Such a thing had been known to happen before. He thought he would end the comedy as soon as possible, so he got up and waved his cap to show who he was. Again the bullets whistled by. Into the ditch again he went, but he couldn't get it out of his head that it was one of our guns, so he thought he had better wave again. For the third time the machine gun barked angrily, and finally our friend realized that it must be a German shooting. They "ealed" themselves along a ditch to cover and reached safety. Several of our officers had watched them through binoculars, and they were received with great glee.

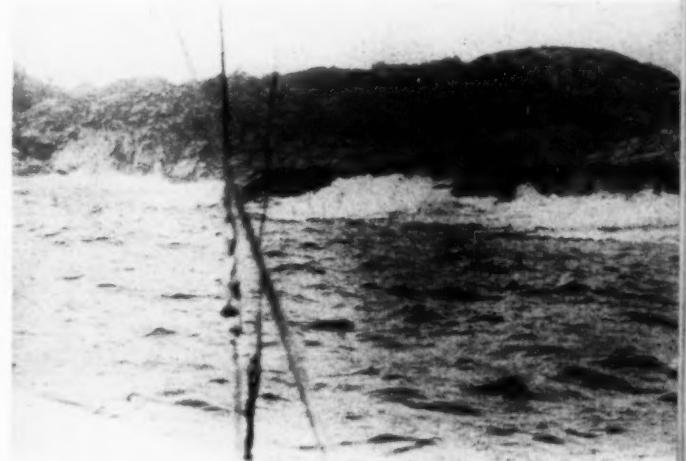


In the beginning of May the report of the evacuation of southern Norway reached us, and the tragic day arrived when, for the last time, we lined up the troops before we surrendered to the Germans. We had fought and suffered together, had shared starvation and disappointments, and in doing so had tested each other's worth. Ties stronger than those of friendship bound us together, and, when for the last time we prayed, as so often before, "God preserve the King and our country," we were deeply moved, and the tears streamed down the cheeks of even the most hardened of soldiers.

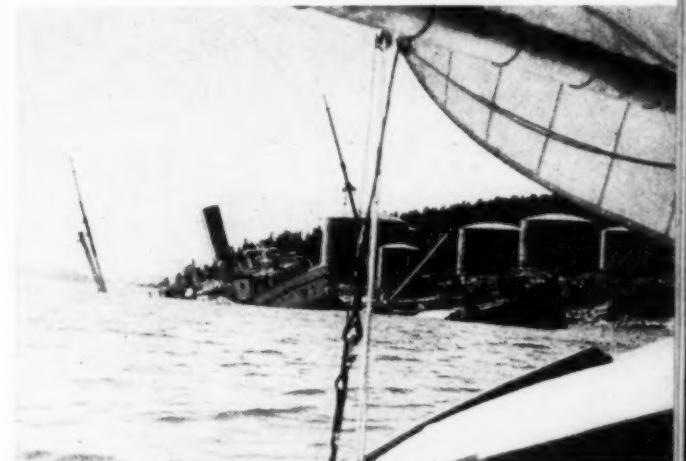
We remained as prisoners of war at a small town for about two weeks, then came Hitler's "magnanimous" proclamation releasing all Norwegian soldiers.



The port from which the escape was made



Rock bound coast of Norway



Above—Sunk by a mine. Below—Rescued



"And Now We March to England"

Times were not very encouraging. Over the old European battlefields Hitler's victorious war machine rolled. The democracies of the world seemed doomed. Through the streets and along the roads endless columns of the enemy marched, monotonously repeating their never-ending song "and now we march to England."

Further, German control of the civil administration was ever increasing, newspapers were censored, rumors hummed. The first encroachments on civil liberties began. The 76 year old doctor, Christoffersen, was imprisoned because he had distributed leaflets of the King's speech, and when he refused to tell where he had received them, his son was imprisoned and tortured. Simultaneously Christoffersen was threatened that his sons-in-law would be removed from their positions. All this affected the old man so much that he tried to commit suicide by biting through the artery of his wrist.

Such information began to reach England in a mysterious fashion, and it was in return broadcast to the Norwegian people from London, where they seemed to acquire all kinds of news. The evening broadcasts became a vital part of our life. At this time the so-called illegal newspapers also began to circulate. The first was issued in August, and was named "Vi vil oss et land" or "We demand us a country."

Underground Supplies Information

Thus people were kept well-informed of events and episodes. More and more plainly the Norse realized that the eternal assurances of friendship and cooperation on the part of the Germans were not much in accord with their acts and plans. Clearer and clearer it appeared that they expected Norway to become a colony producing raw materials. They stopped our iron ore refineries. Our ore was to be exported to Germany. We were to buy the finished products. "Deutsche Schifffartzeitung Hansa" rebuked Norway severely in an article regarding its "artificial" economic position due to its unnecessarily large merchant marine. The Germans openly discussed a reduction of our tonnage, a lowering of our living standards, and the incorporation of the country into the Central European Lebensraum.

This naturally did not increase our love for them. If a soldier was unfortunate enough to sit next to a Norwegian in a street car it wasn't long before there was plenty of space on either side of him, and when the troops came marching through the streets, very few faces were turned towards them. If one of the "Greens" asked one of our people for directions, he usually received wrong instructions, and found himself as far removed from his goal as possible.

Hatred Replaced by Contempt

Yes, hatred had already been deeply rooted in the Norwegian people, but even now contempt was perhaps the strongest and most conscious feeling. So far we had only seen the beginning.

Then the 26th of September arrived with the proclamation that Vidkun Quisling was to be the saviour and unnamed leader of the country. It was a slap in the face of the whole nation. The Quisling tragedy we thought had played out its role in the memorable days of April, when he sold his country to the aggressor. If the Germans in-



sisted on carrying out the fight, however, we would give them fighting and this time we would use weapons that would bite more deeply than a Springfield on tanks.

Now events unfolded rapidly. During the first three weeks of his rule Quisling and his handful of satellites succeeded in establishing a world record in their lack of understanding of mass psychology. The Norwegian "Führer" himself never hesitated to use explosive language and raged against people for showing animosity to his party. "We do not need you," he several times said in his speeches, "we are strong enough anyway." And that of course we knew already, seeing that he was always surrounded with green uniforms.

Country Solidified by Aggression

I suppose the question has often been raised why we did not kill some of these "Quislings" in Norway. In the beginning many entertained plans of doing so, but we soon understood that these people were more useful alive than dead. There were so few of them, and they never missed an opportunity to arouse the wrath of the people by their corrupt undertakings, violations of justice, and aggressive demeanor. Quisling's favorite motto is: "Norway was one country, it shall be one people." One must admit that he has seen his wish fulfilled, although perhaps not in the way he had expected.

The desire of individuals to act in this period was tremendously keen — minds seethed. From office to office there was a steady hum of typewriters; all wanted to help in circulating the chain letters. There was an inconceivable activity. Upon meeting friends in the streets, it was always "Have you anything new today?" And then they would surreptitiously exchange information.

The mails increased 25 per cent during the winter months. Every day there was some underground leaflet in the mailbox. It went so far that people, who for some reason or other had not been on any mailing list, felt terribly insulted. Naturally the Germans were furious and did whatever they could to stop the activities. They especially concentrated on confiscating the illegal newspapers, and with good reason. These papers had become of great importance in the underground educational activities. They contained excellent articles which concerned us all. They took a stand on political questions and played a great role in our work. They rebuked those within individual groups who were inclined to stir up old political wounds.

The system of spreading these papers was quite simple. Ten times 10 times 10 is 1,000. Ten times 10 times 1,000 is one million.

It is perhaps difficult to understand what a satisfaction underground work in an occupied country gives the individual—the feeling of being able to do something, of contributing towards ultimate victory. All groups and ages were represented—school children, youths, adults, the aged.

A most important factor in keeping up the morale was that the leading men within the intelligentsia remained loyal. The resignation of the supreme court and the protests of the Bishops against the encroachments on civil liberties were examples to be followed by all. The sports associations, the laborers, the teachers together with so many other organizations, followed in their footsteps. Our clergy was exceptional in its brave stand. On Christmas eve the old prohibited church prayer for the King



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were read in most of the churches of the country. They were filled to overflowing.

Young People Reckless in Defiance

The young people were almost reckless in their activities. They posted bills at night, scattered anti-Nazi propaganda material in the German barracks, formed groups and organized sabotage activities. Numerous patrols trained on skis all winter, preparing for the great day of liberation. The school strike was a wonderful manifestation of the stand of the children. As a protest again the orders to visit the Hitler-Jugend exhibition thousands of them assembled in front of the palace in Oslo where they sang the "King's song" and the national anthem. When the police cars arrived, the girls sat down on the ground and shouted "Long live the King." The police had to carry them into the cars, and it took hours to clear the plaza. It was not strange that rumors of a disturbing nature reached Berlin, and that Goebbels himself was sent to investigate what was happening. One of his first experiences in Oslo was that when he came up the main street, on his way from the railway station, eight or ten boys who happened to be on the sidewalk, turned their backs on him.

This enraged "the great man" so that he had his car stopped, and the boys arrested. Neither did his spirits improve when his entertainment at the Crownprince's residence the same night failed completely. Very few of the invited guests arrived, and none of the beautiful girls whose presence he demanded, appeared.

His answer to this was to organize the so-called "cleaning up" activities in all of the towns in the country. House inspections were conducted on a large scale, offices were searched, domestic mail was censored, and hundreds of people arrested. For some days all underground activities were paralyzed, but it was not long before everything went on in the same old way. If some had disappeared, there were always others to fill the vacancy. Berlin was far from satisfied. Among others, Himmler, appeared one month later, and the same procedure was followed, with arrests, etc. Recently I heard that he had been there again, which means that things certainly have not quieted down since I left.

Many Escape

For a while, it had been satisfactory to fight the Germans in this way. One after the other of my friends, however, had disappeared. No one ever seemed to know anything about them. Months afterwards we would get a hint through a neutral country that they were safe in one of the Norwegian training camps, either in Scotland or in Canada. Everyone was talking of escape. The only difficulty was how to do it. One couldn't just go to a traveling bureau and buy the ticket—the initiative was up to oneself.

Living in one of the Norwegian west-coast towns, it wasn't very difficult to get hold of a boat. What was much more difficult was to get sufficient fuel for the trip for only the Germans were allowed gasoline.

We were four friends who planned to escape together. We felt that as the Germans had stolen the gasoline from Norway, it was only fair that we steal it back again.

Mass Arrests Made to Stem Norse Revolt

By the Associated Press

Stockholm, Sweden, Sept. 12.—The Germans are resorting to mass arrests in an attempt to halt the spirit of revolt racing across Norway and forestall a threatened gigantic conflict, border advices said tonight.

[Fighting already has occurred according to the British Broadcast Company, which in a broadcast heard in New York last night, said that a German munitions depot "north of Everking" had been stormed by a group of Norwegian patriots, and that seven airplanes had been destroyed and many German soldiers had been killed at an air port.

Equipped with rubber pipes and empty cans, we crept around every night for weeks siphoning gas from the German cars and carrying it on our bicycles outside of town to store it in a safe place. Sometimes we were discovered by German guards and had to run for our lives, leaving our equipment behind.

To England in an Open Boat

Finally in the beginning of April we thought we had enough gasoline and decided to leave. The boat which we were going to steal was a twenty-two foot open motor boat. The reason we chose such a small boat was that it did not need very much gasoline; but more important was the fact that we all knew how to work it. Our farewell to the family was to pinch what there was of food in the pantry, before we set out on a dark night. We had not been able to buy a map for the trip as the Germans had long ago prohibited their sale, so we tore out a page of a school geography book, giving a rough idea of the North Sea. Our only instrument was a pocket compass.

The first night was not too bad. It was far too exciting being on the lookout for patrol vessels to even notice the intense cold. The weather was just as if it had been ordered for the occasion—low ceiling, fog and calm seas. We passed by a couple of the enemy vessels, but they paid no attention to us as they probably hardly could imagine that a small boat like ours was heading for the open seas.

In the early morning we lost sight of land, and from then on we let fate take its course. We soon discovered that what we thought would be ample clothing for the four of us was scarcely enough for one, so we started taking turns at the rudder—the others crawling under a tarpaulin in the bow of the boat in an effort to keep warm.

Rescued in the Firth of Forth

The only sound we heard was the running of the motor and the splashing of the waves against the side of the boat. The sea gulls left us early the first day after having given up all hope of sharing our meager meals. We were quite confident that we were on the right course for the Shetland Islands, and after thirty-six hours, we expected to see land—but nothing of the kind happened. We were out of gas. Some one suggested that we start rowing, but this thought did not inspire us at all. With only one oar it would have been a heavy task, even if the wind had been with us and not against us as was the case. To start rationing the food was rather out of the question as the last crumb had disappeared long ago. We spent a couple of rather unpleasant hours, when one of us suddenly discovered a dark spot far away in the sky. As it grew larger, we realized it was a plane, and hoping that it was a British one, we started waving just as much as we could. As it came still nearer we saw the familiar circles under its wings, and when the pilot had given signs that he had discovered us, we heaved an unanimous sigh of relief. A short while later a cruiser and a destroyer picked us up. It turned out that we had ended up in the Firth of Forth. After all, we didn't think we had done too badly. The distance from the Shetland Islands to the northeastern coast of Scotland was not so terribly large, at least not on our map!



Defense OF THE PHILIPPINES

By MAJOR GENERAL BASILIO VALDES
Chief of Staff, Philippine Army

NO nation looking forward to independence in a world where existence is largely dependent upon armed resistance to aggression can ignore the necessity of an adequate military establishment. We in Manila are acutely conscious of that today. While the United States is by law responsible for Philippine defense until 1946 and has in fact been building up its military forces on land, sea and in the air, a logical question might be: "What is the Commonwealth doing to provide ultimately for its own national defense?"

True, this question may seem somewhat academic today. President Roosevelt's recent order Federalizing all the organized armed forces of the Philippines suggests strongly that Insular defense will henceforth be subordinated to the larger question of insuring the continuation of the democratic way of life. In this greater purpose, we Filipinos heartily concur. Nevertheless, we firmly believe that the best interests of the Philippines, the United States and the liberal world will be served by a loyal, intelligent and well-trained Philippine Army.

Efforts to Provide a National Defense Highly Fruitful

Guided by the United States, President Quezon, the National Assembly and the Commonwealth Military Staff have sought to overcome the inherent obstacles to Insular defense. Such inhibitions as definite financial, economic and industrial limitations; the absence of any martial tradition; and a general lack of appreciation of the dynamic character of modern warfare emphasize the colossal

proportions of the task before us. These obstacles have not, however, daunted the men responsible for building an army. The consensus among experts is that our efforts to provide a national defense for an independent Philippines have been highly fruitful.

We do not yet have a "balanced" military organization. Gradually, however, elements of our final, complete army are being organized and trained. The rate has been in proportion to the finances, equipment and facilities on hand. The whole project is based on sound long-range planning, competently conceived to utilize every ounce of available resources in the most profitable manner. Year after year the Philippine Army is growing in strength and experience, an ever potent factor in Philippine defense.

Army Descendant of Constabulary

Our present army is a direct descendant of the Philippine Constabulary, the Insular police force that has earned a great name for gallantry and bravery in action. Largely the creation of the United States Army, the Constabulary was organized in 1901, immediately after civil government was restored to the Islands. Its purpose was to restore public order and suppress the brigandage which had become rampant throughout the Archipelago during and after the Spanish-American War.

The first officers of the Constabulary were men from the United States Army, both commissioned and non-commissioned. The enlisted were Filipinos, generally recruited from the provinces in which they were to serve. The





first chief of the organization was Capt. Henry T. Allen. Assisting him were Capt. Wallace C. Taylor, W. S. Goldsborough, and Jesse D. Garwood.

Constabulary Proves Efficient

When the Constabulary was first organized, Americans in Manila shook their heads. Success seemed doubtful. Filipino soldiers, they argued, would prove disloyal to the United States government and would rebel against its authority. Partly to appease these doubters, but also because the supply of arms was inadequate, the Constabulary was armed with shotguns and a few .45 caliber revolvers. Deeds of unbelievable courage were performed with only these meager weapons. As time went on, the organization proved how unfounded these doubts had been. This efficient organization was instrumental in instituting civil government in the Philippines.

As was to be expected, the organization during its first year was kept busy suppressing brigandage and apprehending malefactors. In repeated fights to perform its duty, the Constabulary, always greatly outnumbered, showed amazing courage, discipline and devotion to duty in the face of death from bolo or Mauser.

After suppressing the early outlawry in the Islands, the Constabulary devoted itself to maintaining law and order so that the people could pursue their lawful occupations. This was achieved by a constant patrol touching almost every part of the Archipelago. Every region was visited at least once a year. In the non-Christian provinces, these not only maintained order, but they also acted as missionaries of civilization, inducing people to send their children to school, to observe sanitation rules, to minister to the sick by modern methods, and to appreciate their benefits as Filipino citizens.

Officered by Americans

Up to 1917, Constabulary officers were generally Americans. But when the United States entered the World War many of these men left the organization and returned to the U. S. Army. Some saw service in France, where they established a record of admirable achievements which they themselves attribute to their Constabulary training. Among them were Major General James G. Harbord, Major General Henry T. Allen, and Major General H. H. Bandholtz. To fill the vacancies left by these men, many noncommissioned officers were promoted and more cadets were sent to the Philippine Constabulary Academy in Baguio which had been created in 1914.

The Constabulary, then, was the only Filipino armed force in the Islands when the present Commonwealth was established in 1935. The first session of the Philippine National Assembly passed Commonwealth Act No. 1, "a Plan of National Defense." Several months prior to this, however,

President Quezon had, with the consent of the Government of the United States, secured the services of General Douglas MacArthur, a recognized soldier who had served in France, commanded the Philippine Department for two years and served five years in Washington as chief of staff, to advise the government in the organization, training and supply of the Army and in setting up the defense structure. A staff of American Army officers was provided as assistants to General MacArthur.

Army Organized in 1936

Upon the organization of the Philippine Army early in 1936, the Constabulary was made its nucleus and the duties formerly discharged by it were put in the hands

of the Constabulary Division of the Army. In 1938, however, Commonwealth officials began to realize that an Army should not have anything to do with police duties. They re-created the Philippine Constabulary, as a separate entity. Today it is the agency through which the President of the Philippines insures the efficient organization and discipline of all local police bodies.



The Philippine Defense Act provides compulsory military service for all male citizens between the ages of 20 and 50. It recognizes the right of the government to utilize all the moral and material resources and the services of the inhabitants of the Philippines in the defense of the Archipelago. All men completing 20 years of age must register every year. Their number varies from 90,000 to 120,000. From these are selected 20,000 to 40,000 men who undergo six months of intensive military training.

First Registration Took Place in 1936

The first registration took place in April, 1936, just five months after the enactment of the law. By January, 1937, only nine months later, the first group of 20,000 men was in barracks. These were followed by the second group in July of the same year. This process has been repeated yearly.

As the men are discharged after completion of training they enter the reserves. Those from 21 to 30 belong to the First Reserve. The Second Reserve will be composed of men from 31 to 40, and the Third Reserve will include men from 41 to 50. Our task of training the men of the First Reserve will be completed in 1946. By that year, if the Philippine Army adheres to the procurement program, put in force in 1936, we will have about 350,000 trained reserves of ages ranging from 21 to 30. Given sufficient time, by 1966 the Philippines expects to have 1,000,000 fighting men ready.

Today the Philippine Army has a total trained reserve of approximately 143,000 men. This does not include 5,000 reservists recently allotted to the United States Army to bring the American-officered Philippine Scouts to full divisional strength.

Islands Divided Into Military Districts

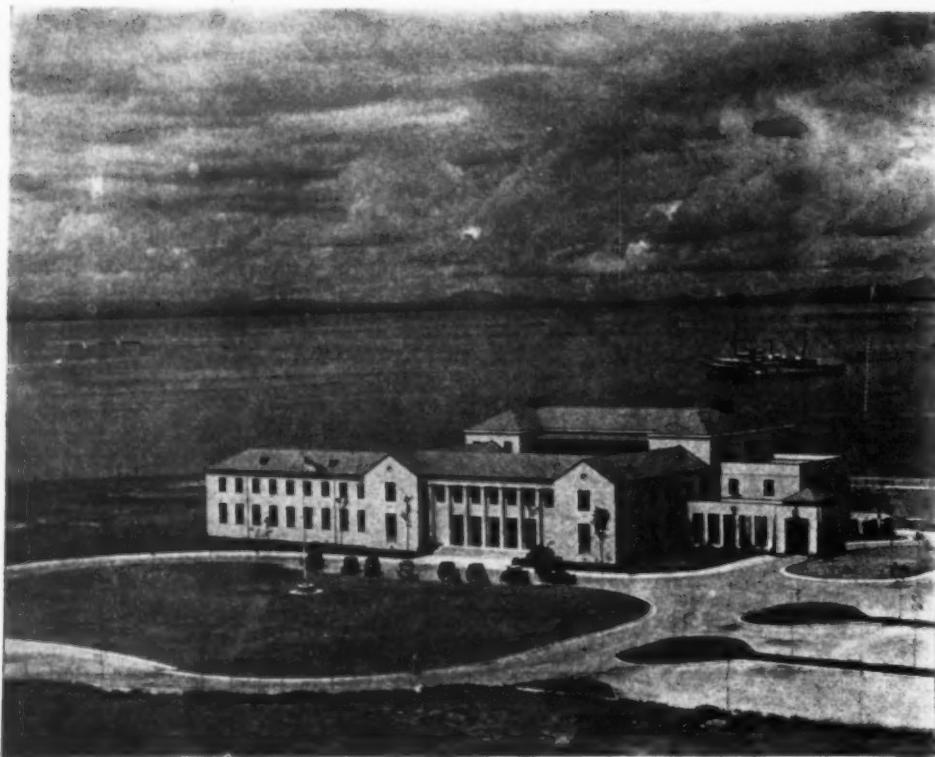
The Philippine Archipelago has been divided into 10 military districts of approximately equal population. Functioning under decentralized control by Army Headquarters, the districts train their men and organize their headquarters, rifle, machine gun and trench mortar units of reserve divisions. Our organization program calls for the creation of three reserve divisions in each district by 1946, a total of 30 reserve divisions. Today, 10 divisions are fully organized, with one division of approximately 7,500 men in each district.



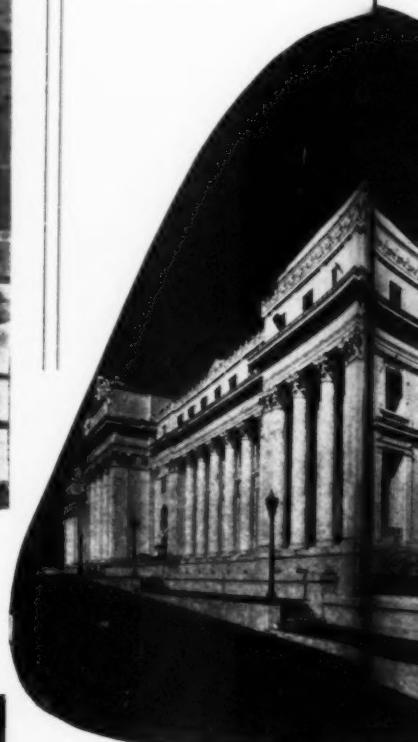
From the beginning, the impossibility of the Philippine Government's financing the purchase of naval vessels and the maintenance of a naval force and essential shore establishments has been obvious. Ideas of creating a navy were immediately abandoned and replaced by a plan to organize a Naval Corps under army control. Initial combat equipment, chosen with care and due consideration for its role in the defense of the islands, consists of exceedingly fast motorboats equipped with torpedoes, machine guns and depth charges. The organization of several nine-boat squadrons is contemplated.

Air Arm Shows Rapid Development

Development and organization of an air arm received



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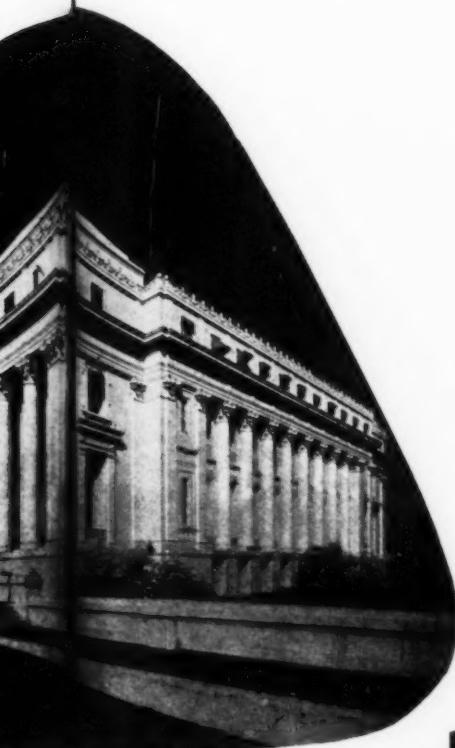
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Right: Mayon Volcano in ac-
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immediate attention. The training of fliers and the men of the service echelon has been undertaken since the very beginning, with an air force of 500 first-line planes of all categories as our objective. This branch of the army is expanding rapidly and is attracting many of our best young men—professionals, college graduates and young officers of the Regular Army. Several fully equipped operating fields have already been established in strategic localities. In addition, the Archipelago is dotted with commercial fields available to military planes. Civil aviation, developing rapidly, is controlled by the Secretary of National Defense, through the Chief of the Army Air Corps.

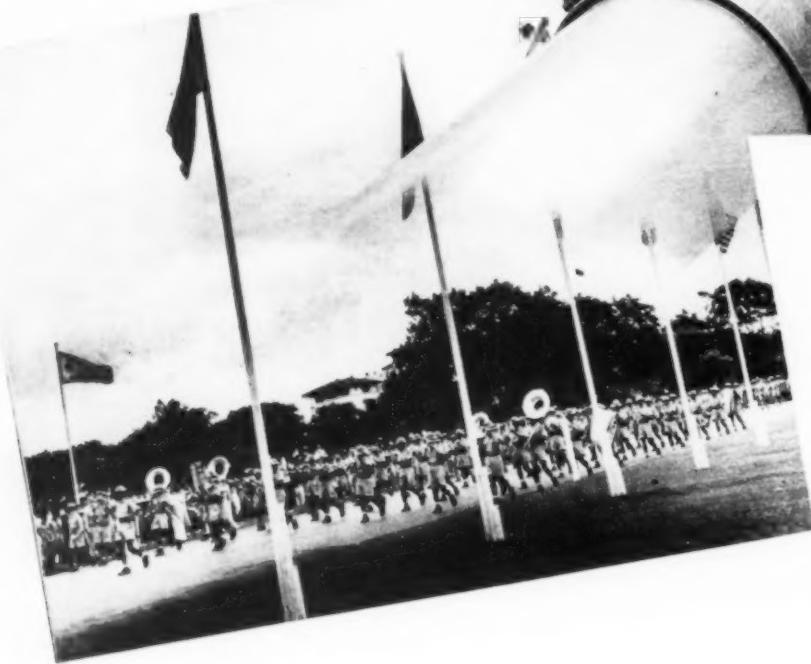
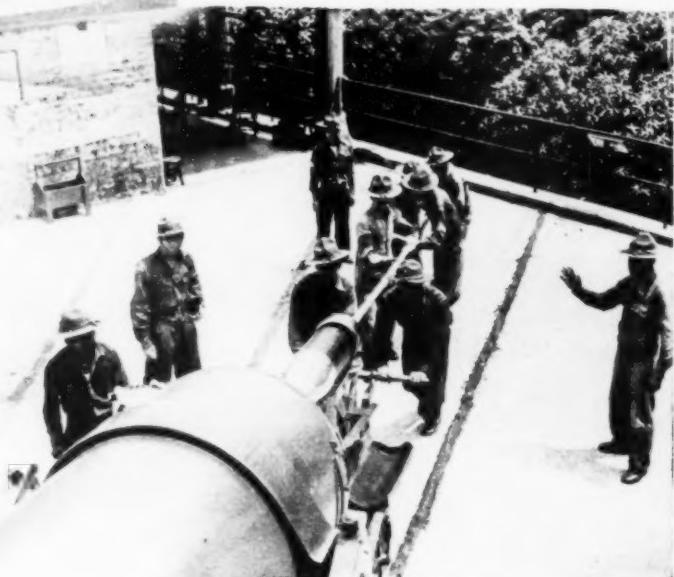
Production of officer personnel has



Top: Philippine soldiers man a .50 cal. machine gun during maneuvers.

Right: Philippine Coast Artillery guards Manila Bay with 10-inch guns.

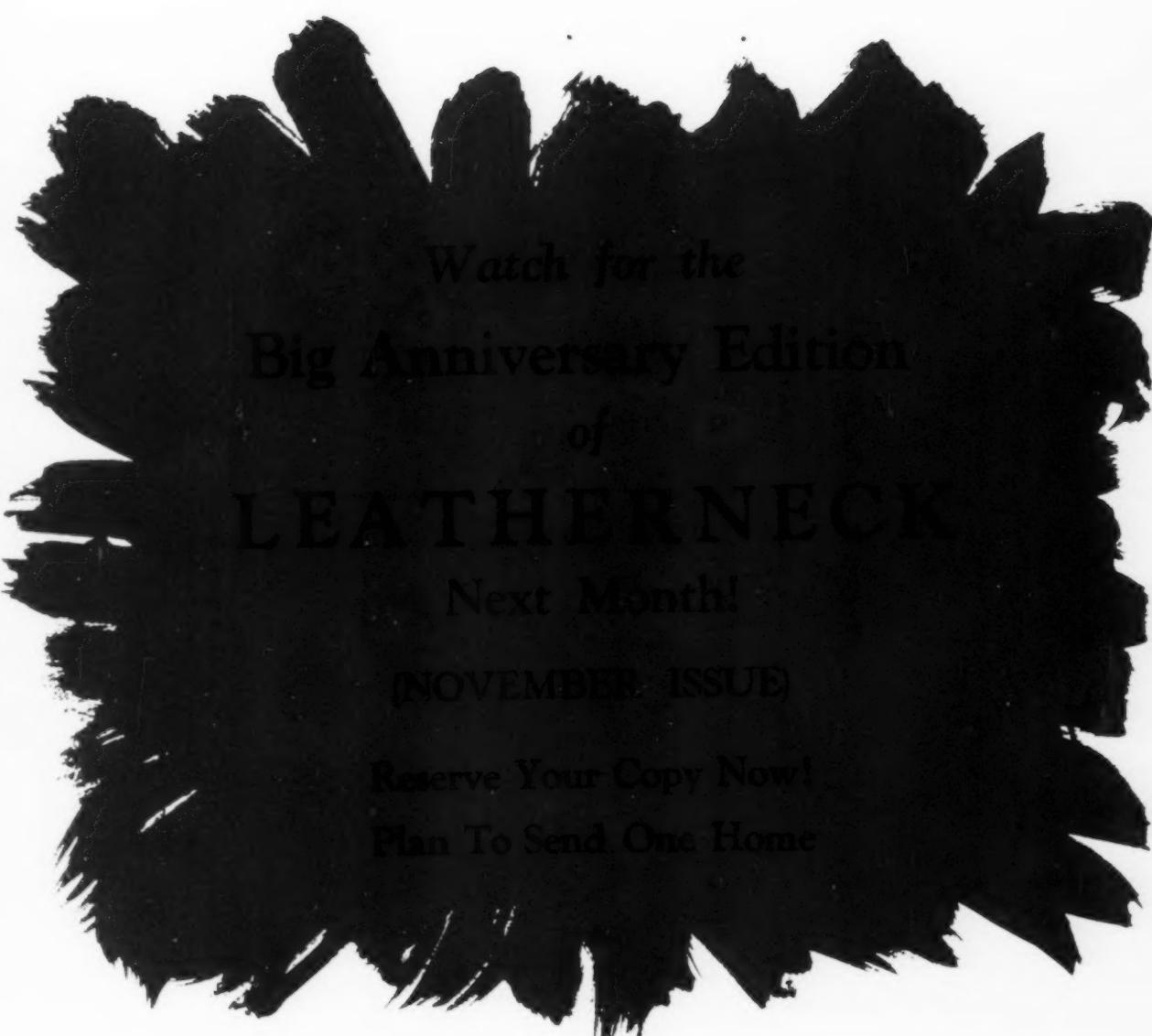
Below: The tuneful Army Band parades in Manila as part of the Loyalty Day exercises.



been expanded to meet our growing requirements. We have reorganized the famous old Constabulary Academy, which is now exclusively engaged in the production of officers for the army.

In spite of historical inhibitions, the Filipino is inherently a good soldier. He is used to hardships, has moral courage and is accustomed to taking orders. In his native terrain he can outmarch and outmaneuver any alien soldier. The combination of this knowledge with the training in sound tactical doctrine he is now receiving should make the individual Filipino a formidable military opponent.

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The New Army Carbine

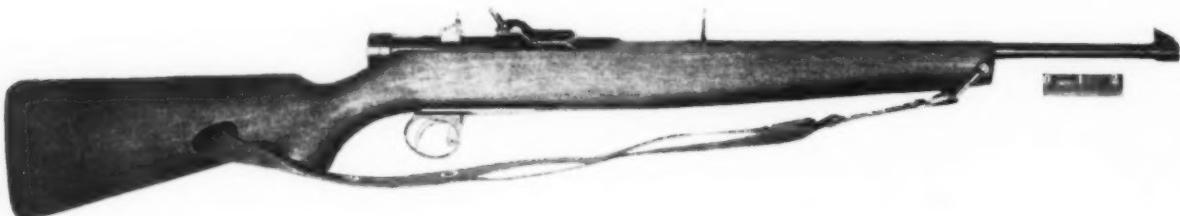
THE historic carbine, the grand little weapon that proved itself many times over in the winning of the West and in the safeguarding of our borders, will once again re-appear as a weapon in the hands of the soldier.

The stubby little rifle has been modernized for this era of mechanized warfare, and is now undergoing exhaustive tests under the auspices of the War Department. According to latest reports, it is now ready to receive its final test before replacing the .45 caliber pistol now in use. The key to its reappearance is the fact that the pistol is strictly a defensive weapon, while the new rifle may be used offensively or defensively. This project will add the fire power of approximately 175,000 semi-automatic rifles to the Infantry alone.

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Men from the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, carried out the tests, and both veterans and recruits handled the sample rifles under all field conditions. The weapons were subjected to all the abuses of weather and rough handling. Only elementary cleaning equipment was allowed the men for keeping the carbines in good firing order. Other models may be considered before a standard type is accepted.

The carbine will be eight inches shorter than the Garand or the Springfield and will be about four pounds lighter. Characteristics, which may be modified by the time a final type is chosen, and comparisons are:



Weighing about five pounds, the new piece is not only intended for the Infantry, but will also find an important place in the Cavalry, Artillery, the Engineers, Armored Corps, Parachute Troops, and other branches. All Infantry officers below the rank of Major, all non-commissioned officers, and a large majority of enlisted men now armed with the pistol will be equipped with this newest addition to the arsenal of the United States.

Intended as a weapon for men whose duties make it impracticable to carry the regular and heavier service rifle, the carbine will increase the number of rifles in an infantry regiment by almost 50 per cent. It will also be a big factor for the defense of rear areas against sudden penetrations, parachute and air-landing troops and low-flying airplanes.

Engineering tests of seven models—six of them made by commercial manufacturers and one by the Ordnance Department of the Army—have already been completed. Five models have been eliminated. Two others were deemed to have met the rigid specifications. One of them, produced by the Ordnance Department, may be described as "the little brother of the Garand rifle," for it is an adaptation of the Army's newest, fast-firing service rifle. The other sample was submitted by a commercial concern. They both received their service tests at the Aber-

deen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, Maryland, last month, under the direction of the Chief of Infantry.

Caliber—.30 caliber, with a 110-grain bullet that is similar to a .38 caliber pistol bullet but has a great deal more striking power. This ammunition is not interchangeable with that of the Garand or the Springfield.

Weight—About 5 pounds, including magazine and sling.

The Garand weighs slightly more than 9 pounds, including magazine and sling.

Range—Effective ranges up to 300 yards.

Sights—Aperture type, set for 100 and 300 yards. (No intermediate adjustments necessary.)

Type—Shoulder weapon, semi-automatic. Both types that will be tested are gas-operated on the same principle as the Garand but they differ from the regular service rifle in certain other functional respects.

Feed—Clips of two sizes, one holding ten cartridges and one holding twenty cartridges, may be used.

Length—Overall length, 36 inches; barrel, 18 inches. The Garand and Springfield have an overall length of 43 inches, and their barrels are 23 inches long.

Method of Carrying—The rifle, equipped with a sling like that on the regular service rifle will always be carried slung until ready for use.

As now constituted, an infantry regiment has 2,099 men armed with the service rifle and 1,181 with the pistol. In the future such a regiment would rearm 944 additional men with the carbine, making a total of 3,043 rifles (M1), and light; and reducing the number of pistols to 237.

In the infantry alone, approximately 175,000 men—ammunition carriers, machine gunners, mortar men, administrative and communication personnel, officers and non-commissioned officers will get the carbine instead of the pistol. Proportionate numbers in the other branches will also be equipped with it.



The new rifle is expected to be a high morale factor. Men who carry them will feel a greater sense of security, and leaders can instill more confidence in their men for, in a crisis or when casualties are considerable, they could join in the fire fight.

Furthermore, a troop leader carrying a rifle is less conspicuous than one with a pistol and consequently less likely to invite the attention of snipers.

More than 600 of the 944 light rifles that will be added to the infantry regiment will go into the forward area, greatly increasing the fighting potentiality of the units there. In the Heavy Weapons Company, for instance (the old machine gun company), all the officers and men are now equipped with the service pistol for personal defense.



Now it is planned to equip 6 out of the 8 men in each machine gun squad with the carbine. The gunner and assistant gunner, who must carry the machine gun and its heavy tripod, alone will have pistols. In this way the squad may continue functioning as a unit even if its gun is knocked out.

Another important feature of this plan is that the machine gun could continue firing at its target, preserving

the unit's prescribed firing power, while the other members of the crew deal with any incidental attack. Any machine gun taken off its assigned mission merely to defend the gun position and the crew upsets carefully formulated fire plans and serious consequences may result.



The new rifle will change the defense picture in rear areas, where the pistol is more prevalent than the rifle at present. There administrative and supply troops might find themselves suddenly attacked by swiftly penetrating ground forces, airborne troops and low-flying airplanes. Pistols alone would be of little use except in hand-to-hand combat. By arming approximately 300 of the men in a regimental rear area with the carbine instead of

the pistol, a sizable proportion of the security troops may be released for service in the line.



SMALL ARMS BULLETS

(1) Caliber .45 ball. (2) Cal. .30 SR,M1. (3) Cal. .30 M2. (4) Cal. .50 M2

(Illustrations courtesy Cavalry Journal)



THE Red Army is as dark and mysterious as Russia itself!

Out of the deep pine forests and driving snow there has emerged only the vaguest image of the forces and weapons which the Nazis today are putting to test. Within Russia's own borders, foreign observers have been permitted only the briefest tantalizing glimpses, punctuated occasionally by the partial strip-tease of the May Day Parades.

At the time of writing the Soviets are only beginning to draw aside the curtain and reveal to anxious allies the arms and strength of the real Red Army.

In the five times that Red forces and weapons have been advanced into the outside world, there has been little to indicate the real worth of the mass of men and material kept within the Russian borders. In each instance, there have been reasons why evidence presented has been unsatisfactory and inconclusive.

Spanish Reports Unfavorable

On the whole, reports on the value of Russian arms in Spain were unfavorable. Still, conditioning

and therefore did not waste first-line equipment on them.

Certainly, to the surprise of a host of Spanish veterans and observers, in the Battle of Lake Hassan, the Red Army was able to teach the Japanese a sound lesson. Though this action showed the world where the Russians stood against a second or third rate army like the Japanese, the equal secretiveness of both combatants disclosed few other facts to the Western Powers.

Chinese Untrained in Use of Equipment

Russian aid to China tells equally

under the Red Star

By GARRETT UNDERHILL

factors existed which undermine the value of many such derogatory statements. There is no doubt but that Russian material was badly handled by the Loyalists. Trained personnel for reassembly after shipment from Russia was unavailable. Firearms used mainly Loyalist ammunition, badly manufactured by unskilled labor.

In the field, the troops were largely composed of politically avid but militarily untrained and undisciplined peasants and workers. Such soldiers could not be expected to get the most out of unfamiliar arms, nor do wonders in field maintenance. It is not impossible that the Russians realized the shortcomings of Loyalist troops.

little. However familiar the Chinese may be with Rheinmetall and Skoda equipment, they confess that almost any equipment looks good to them. Untrained like the Spaniards, they too are bound to get less service out of foreign materiel. If they can ruin perfectly good Curtiss Hawks, Chinese cannot put the blame for malfunctions solely on the defects of Russian ordnance. In China, too, reliable foreign observers are few and under many restrictions

Of course, practically no reliable outsider witnessed the occupation of Poland, Bessarabia and the Baltic States. "Red Army's March into Bessarabia One Wave of Love" was the heading under which a typical Russian Propaganda organ described the movement in which air-borne tanks apparently were first used against an enemy. So far as accurate information goes, this propaganda piece was as instructive as any other report.

Only in the last weeks of the Finnish campaign did the world begin to see a definite outline of the Red Army and the value of its weapons. Here again foreign observers were too few and restricted in their movements. News-

(Illustrations and article courtesy American Rifleman)

paper correspondents who did get to the battlefields—though they never saw the crack divisions on the Karelian Isthmus—generally were incapable of absorbing data of interest either to soldiers or gun-cracks. The Finns themselves, accustomed to use Tsarist rifles, Maxim and artillery pieces seized from Red Russian arsenals in 1918, were likely to overestimate the worth of equipment according to American standards.

No True Picture of Materiel

The sum of trial runs of Russian forces and materiel has in the end failed to present a systematic pattern of evidence. So colored has been the past testimony, whether through insecure grounding or strong prejudice, that confusion exists even in details. Shown a picture of a Russian anti-tank gun, a veteran of the Kemi River Battle will be certain that it is a 3-mm. Rosenberg. Equally positive, an ex-member of the Abraham Lincoln Battalion will swear by the beard of Trotsky that it is the 45-mm. model of 1932 he used in Spain.

Whatever the real answers may finally appear to be, it is clear that the Russian soldier has entered this war better prepared than in the past. The very first principle of Communism demanded the complete militarization of the Russian State. Thus for 20 years Russia has focused her social and industrial activity on building the Red Army.

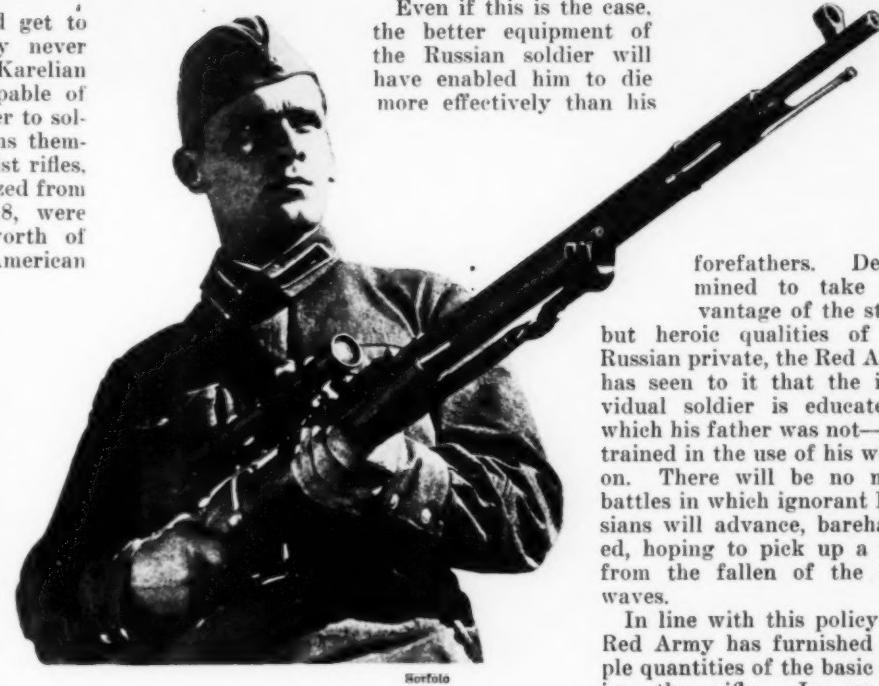
Intensified in the past 10 years by a rerudescence of nationalism, it is not entirely impossible that this program has rendered the Army powerful, though leaving the population threadbare. Certainly Russia may definitely lay claim to first place in the mass use of armored vehicles, planes and parachutists. As will presently appear, her arms themselves betray equally advanced thinking.

Any Collapse Due to Political Mismanagement

If the spectre of failure looming on the horizon materializes into concrete reality, the debacle will be due to political mismanagement now and in the past. Soviet Russia has followed the same lines that brought defeat and disgrace to so many of the Imperial Russian forces.

Too often Russian armies which have tried to appear as mysterious monsters on the wings of the international stage have been exposed as paper dragons when action has shed harsh light upon them. There have been three such trials for Russia in the past century. After 25 years of nationalized militarism under the soldier-Tsar, Nicholas II, the Russians collapsed miserably but bravely in the disgusting exposé of political and military incompetence that was the Crimean Campaign. This type of tragedy was repeated in the Russo-Japanese War of 1904-05, and again in 1914, when armies of the Grand Duke Nicholas self-confidently annihilated themselves in the Masurian Lake area. It may well be that these historical examples add up toward a conclusion which points to a national characteristic of mystery and poor leadership followed by failure.

Even if this is the case, the better equipment of the Russian soldier will have enabled him to die more effectively than his



forefathers. Determined to take advantage of the stolid but heroic qualities of the Russian private, the Red Army has seen to it that the individual soldier is educated—which his father was not—and trained in the use of his weapon. There will be no more battles in which ignorant Russians will advance, barehanded, hoping to pick up a rifle from the fallen of the first waves.

In line with this policy the Red Army has furnished ample quantities of the basic arm i.e. the rifle. In essence though this is a Tsarist weapon

on, even it represents the surge of Russian Nationalism and the desire of Russian soldiers to have Russian arms that are designed for their character and temperament.

The history of the rifle, 1891/1930 pattern (as it is called) dates back to the realization by the Old Army of the shortcomings of the rifle in use in the 1870's and 80's. The advent of smokeless powder and jacketed bullets permitted higher velocities, longer ranges, greater accuracy and less dispersion. More rounds per man could be carried than with heavier, larger-calibered ammunition. Also, the magazine rifle offered decided advantages. The rate of fire could be speeded up from 6 to 7 rounds per minute to 10 or 12.

Special Committee Supervises Experimentation

In 1883 a special committee was appointed to supervise experimentation. Initially there was a protracted discussion as to whether single-shot rifles should continue in use, though the caliber be reduced and quality improved. It was felt by many that, if magazines be introduced, sufficient rounds could not be carried, and that battle supply would be difficult. Only after several years had proven the worth of the repeating rifle did the War Office decide on its adoption.

The findings of the committee singled out two rifles as deserving of attention. One of them was the invention of a Russian artilleryman and chief of the old Tula arsenal, Sergey Ivanovitch Mosin (sometimes referred to as Mouzin). The other was a model developed by the Belgian manufacturer, Nagant.

Unfavorable Working Conditions Hampered Mosin

After tests, the majority of the committee favored the Nagant. Of superior quality, it reflected the manufacturing advantages under which the Belgian worked. Mosin had labored under extremely unfavorable circumstances. Influential committee members were not carried away by the fine machining of the Nagant but noted the superior structural simplicity features of the Mosin, and had these facts put in the record.



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A Red Army section, armed with rifles and Degtjarov light machine gun, goes into action.

The discussion waxed so hot at this point that several hundred of each model were manufactured for service test. Simultaneously, on license from Nagant, the feed and clip-loading system of the Nagant were introduced into the Mosin. Under the conditions of the test the Mosin won on the points of simplicity and durability.

Mosin Rifle Accepted in 1891

Accepted into the army in 1891, the Mosin became the first true Russian rifle. A victory had been scored against the usual crop of government grafters who could make fat commissions out of foreign arms orders. Only partial, this victory was marred by the fact that the Russian Army never recognized Mosin, and never called the rifle by his name. Worse, manufacture of the weapon was not at once vigorously commenced at government plants. The first orders were handed out to the French arsenal at Chatelleraut, though tooling up began in the Russian Tula and Sestroretzki arms factories. The Chatelleraut order came through in 1892-93, and the new rifles were issued to the troops that had the hardest jobs. These were in the Warsaw Military District, facing the Germans.

In a year or two the new arms revealed wear in the rifling, especially at the muzzle. Opinion tended toward the belief that the man who ordered the Chatelleraut lot had taken his cut by specifying a low-grade of steel.

Damage to the lands around the muzzle was accounted for by the method of cleaning. Accustomed to the flip-up action of the Berdan, troops continued to clean the Model 1891 through the muzzle. One soldier would hold the muzzle with his left hand and insert a cord bearing a hard knot,



Another would grab the butt and the other end of the cord and work away. Bad steel was easily corrected, and a new ramrod and muzzle protector were issued.

Minor Defect Encountered

By the time of the Russo-Japanese War all but one minor kink had been eliminated. That appeared in the war, when cartridge cases occasionally jammed the action. Frequently it was necessary to knock the bolt handle up with a stone—a step which many veterans of the Spanish Civil War were forced to take with even the modernized version. Better ammunition and head spacing was one solution. Lubricated ammunition was another. Nevertheless, the bolt handle is still opened by a blow of the palm.

Thousands of Americans are familiar with the Model 1891 as it existed in the days of the World War. Tremendous orders for the rifle were placed with Winchester, Remington, and New England Westinghouse after the fall of the Tsarist Regime. No less than 280,049 were delivered to the U. S. Army during 1917 and 1918 for training purposes. These rifles have since found their way into the hands of many American civilians.

The M1891—which is still used in Russia to a small extent, and used in China, Finland, and Roumania, as well—is a caliber .30 rifle: 7.62-mm. It is from the caliber that the name “3-ligne” or “3 line”—sometimes heard in referring to the Mosin—comes. A “Ligne” is a unit of measure under the antique French system, in which the “pied du roi” or king’s foot, was subdivided into “pouces” (inches), “lignes” and “points.”

Sling Arrangement Very Clumsy

Like so many rifles of the early 90’s the Mosin is long—48.4 inches. The forestock runs to within $3\frac{3}{4}$ inches of the muzzle, and—in all true Russian rifles—is paralleled forward of the rear sight and above the barrel by a light wood handguard. A long cleaning rod is sunk into the forestock. Slots are dug through butt and forestock into which the leather sling is strapped. This clumsy arrangement for carrying the 9.9 pound rifle still persists even in the modern version.

Another queer holdover is the triangular needle bayonet, a sleeve-locking type offset to the right when fixed. Although the introduction of the knife bayonet came under discussion in 1914-1918 and is now under way, the great majority of Russian rifles have this old, three-fluted type like that of our Model 1873 Springfield. No scabbard is provided. The bayonet is generally carried fixed, or else—since it fits over the barrel like a sleeve, locking on the foresight stud—it can be put on in reverse. Rifles are stacked simply by tying the bayonets together like the poles of a wigwam. In the new model rifle, the bayonet lock has been improved, and scabbards are being provided, though no stacking swivels are contemplated.

Equipped with Lee Type Magazine

Ammunition was and generally is that of 1908, a rimmed cartridge weighing 363 grams and loaded with a spitzer bullet. The cartridges feed in clips of 5 down through the clip guides in the rear of the frame into the familiar Lee-type magazine in which the rounds stand



stacked in a single vertical bank. The bolt cocks on locking, and can be worked without taking the rifle from the shoulder. With two fairly large bolt lugs the action can stand pressures generated by the Russian cartridge, but has been known to blow badly in the few rifles converted in this country to .30-'06 ammunition.

In most of these instances it is the receiver that gives way, and not the bolt. An alarming feature of the latter is that the firing pin will shoot home even though snow and mud may have prevented the bolt handle from being pulled down to full locking position in front of an upward projection of the receiver frame. Once the bolt is locked, the Mosin rifleman may avail himself of a feature which has puzzled many non-Russians—the Mosin safety. Put on by pulling the cocking piece back against the full tension of the spring, it is reversed in the same direction. Speculation holds that in a nation where life is of little importance anyway, it is considered better not to have a safety that can be set to "off" by a simple flip of the thumb.

When the rifle is fired, the cartridge imparts to the bullet a muzzle velocity of 2,820 feet per second. Traveling through the long 31.5 inch barrel, the bullet receives a spin from 4 grooves which make one twist in $9\frac{1}{2}$ inches. These features compare with the 23.7 inch, 4-grooved barrel of the Springfield, its 1 turn in 10 inches, and a muzzle velocity of 2,800 feet with M2 ammunition.

Cartridges Carried in Leather Pouches

Cartridge clips today are carried either in 4 leather Czech-made pouches of the German type (bought when Soviet Russia was weathering a leather shortage) or in

two leather-covered boxes on the belt. Thus unencumbered with large quantities of either rifle or light machine gun ammunition, the rifleman's clear mission is effective fire, generally at the slow rate of 10 to 12 rounds per minute. Even in the anti-aircraft work intervals of from four to five seconds for loading and sighting are recommended by the 1941 Red Army Rifle Company AA Manual.

In the old rifle the sights were calibrated in paces. The ignorant mojuk was evidently incapable of grasping both the mechanism of the rifle and the ability to estimate ranges in meters. Great jagged steps in the uprights on either side of the sight-leaf gave elevation at intervals of 200 paces up to 1200. On the back of the leaf itself were etched a finer scale up to 3200 paces.

When the rifle was modernized in 1930 the sights were the principal objects of attention. The rear sight was changed to the type seen on the Mauser Karbine 1898. The leaf rests between two curving ramps. On pressing buttons on the right and left of the rear of the sight leaf, a slide climbs the ramps, raising the leaf. A single open V aperture is provided, with battle sight at 200 meters and maximum elevation of 2400 meters. There is no provision for windage.

Many Equipped with Telescopic Sights

Though on modernization minor changes have been made in the rifle itself—such as the addition of springs to hold in the upper and lower bands of the stock—it is typical of the Red Army that most attention should be devoted to accurate shooting. To this end the Russians have gone even further, and supplied telescopes with mounts for both the M1891 and the M1891/1930. The latter has a standard scope



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A girl tractor driver of the Buinaksk machine and tractor works in Daghestan practices under the eye of a reserve officer coach

mounted on the receiver, thus rendering the open sights almost useless. The mount includes windage as well as elevation, while the power of the scope is such that adjustments for range on the eye-piece must be made. Though ordinary rifles and even those issued to mounted troops lack turned down bolt handles, this refinement has been furnished in the case of snipers' pieces. Such weapons are, of course, star-gauged rifles. The rifle with scope is able to do the work on the range at 1100 meters and over, and is furnished to the rifle regiment for selected personnel.

In spite of reports that the cavalry reputedly use the Model 1910 Carbine—similar to the rifle except for its length of 39 inches, its weight of 7.26 pounds and its sights—indications point to the arming of the majority of infantry and cavalry combat personnel with the M1891/1930. In the infantry section, all but the light machine-gunner carry rifles. The same applies to a lesser extent to the anti-tank platoons. Since Russia is still, by and large a wild country loaded with game, it is not surprising therefore that hunters like the Russians should demand and receive this base of accurate rifles for their forces.

Civilian Shooting Program Inaugurated

In consonance with the program of furnishing the individual soldier with the individual rifle capable of being put to effective use, the Red Army has stepped beyond the bounds of conditioning men in military service only and sponsored the Ossviachim. This organization was founded in 1927 as the Society for the Promotion of Defense, Aviation and Chemical Defense. From the start it had the blessing and backing of the shock forces of the Communist party, the Komsomols, and the still younger Communists, the Pioneers.

With full support the Ossviachim was certain to flourish. At first devoted to instructing in the simple elements of civilian gas defense, it has since 1929 been concentrating more and more on rifle training. The more ambitious may undertake machine gunning, tank driving, gliding, aviation, or parachuting. Nevertheless, some force has kept the temperamental Russian soul from stampeding into these novel fields and from forgetting the essential value of rifle practice.

Children of 10 and 14 Included in Program

No fad of the moment, the Ossviachim rifle program has constantly grown. By 1930 university students had received instruction. Next year the so-called 10-year schools were attacked, while in 1934 all the lower schools, including children of 10 to 14 years, were included in the drive. Since then, as ammunition and weapons have become available, the scope of the coverage has been expanded to blanket almost all ages and sexes.

Instructors are furnished by the society. Supported at first by contributions and Party donations, the Ossviachim has for some years past had large State appropriations to cover rifles, instructors, ammunition, and funds for outdoor and indoor ranges. By 1937, the USSR claimed 6600 small-bore ranges, exclusive of similar army ranges.

Furnished are a Russian version of the .22, a sporter of approximately 5.5-mm. caliber, which may have both peep and Army open-type sights and teaches the same use of the sling in the prone, sitting, and standing positions as in the case of the M1891/1930. There is a slight difference in that in the small bore rifles the sling is already attached to a swivel just forward of the rear sight. On Army rifles the sling has to be buckled around the piece forward of the rear sight to be of aid in steadyng aim.

Army and Civilians Undergo Similar Training

Qualified marksman may receive a telescope for small-

bore work. For some reason—perhaps to conform with Army practice—even the small bore sling is strapped around the barrel before the left arm is inserted. On indoor small-bore ranges 25 meters is the normal range. Outdoors, both Army and civilians are given their first task, which is close grouping, at 50 meters. Both small-bore and Army rifle marksmen are broken in at this same range. As proficiency increases, so do the ranges, with a maximum for experts of 1000 meters with the M1891/1930, using only open sights, of course.

Rifle clubs owning such ranges are to be found in most factories, urban office centers, collective farms and agricultural areas. Members participate in their lunch hours and in the 2 to 3 hours following work. Basic courses include elementary rifle and pistol shooting, elementary ballistics and range estimating up to 600 meters. The more ambitious may go in for advance courses including the light machine gun and the heavy Maxim.

Advanced training is given to those who are due for military service. These go to stations located in or near all major urban centers or country districts. Outside of those qualified as ordinary "Voroshilov Marksman," these stations claimed for the 1936 course to have advanced approximately 20,000 boys to "Voroshilov Marksman of the 2nd Grade," 2,000 to Sharpshooters and 1,000 to Experts.

Some idea of the effectiveness of this pre-military rifle training is conveyed by the assertions of the Officer in charge of the Moscow Area when the age groups of boys 19 and 20 were called to the Army in September of 1940. He found that 87% of the draft had qualified as marksmen, 7% as machine gunners, and 2.3% were experts with the scope fitted M1891/1930.

With training extending to all walks of life, Russia must have a tremendous reserve of parashoots and guerrillas. At a 1940 meet at Novosibirsk in Siberia members of 33 other city teams were cleaned out by a factory worker and an obstetrician named Demidenko, who tied with individual scores of 136 out of a possible 150. Also on a 50-meter range, a Kharkov man ran off with a Moscow meet with a score of 100 out of a possible 100.

Interesting is the fact that both skeet and trap shooting is encouraged by the Army. Officers and men not only hunt a good deal, but have their skeet and trap meets among themselves and with civilians. The national championships are usually held in October in the Pushkinskoye suburb outside Moscow, where on a windy day last year a civilian by the name of Antonev won the finals of the skeet shoot by getting 27 out of 30. For trap, the clay doves sail out at a velocity of 20 meters in .9 seconds.

United States Need Similar Program

Of course, this is the Russian side. An ex-Marine who fought in Spain asserts that even the 1936 Star-gauge rifles were inefficient, and that, though no marksman himself, he could outshoot any of the Russian experts present as instructors to the International Brigade. Finns criticize the shooting of some reservists, and in some pictures of mama and papa at rifle clubs it is to be noticed that mama has got her bolt neither open nor locked, and obviously hasn't much of an idea of the methods of handling a rifle. Some laugh at the Russian tendency to keep the left hand close under the bolt and to grip the magazine in the prone position. Others find fault with their tendency to keep the left elbow too close to the hip in the standing position. However, where there's smoke there's fire. It is impossible for any army or state so thoroughly to sponsor rifle practice without getting considerable returns.

(The second and final article concerning the Red Army Rifle will appear in the next issue.)

San Diego Fire Fighters

This department is known as the Marine Corps Base Fire Department and consists of three stations. Station No. 1, at the Base; Station No. 2, at Camp Elliott, and Station No. 3, at the Rifle Range. Stations Nos. 2 and 3 are some distance from the Base and because Station No. 1 is the headquarters a drill tower has been erected adjacent to the fire house. The drill tower is also used for a hose drying tower. The plans for the tower were drawn by Pfc. E. Bullard, a fireman of the Marine Corps Base Fire Department.

The Fire Department personnel consists of Fire Marshal, Major James M. Ranck, Jr., USMC, and an Assistant Fire Marshal, 2nd Lt. John K. Little, USMCR, who is stationed at Camp Elliott. The enlisted personnel consists of Staff Sgt. George H. Schreder, USMCR, Fire Chief; three station leaders, one for each station; six crew leaders, two for each station, and of the other men, six are assigned duty as engineers, six as assistant engineers, and the remaining men, thirty-four in number, are pipemen and truckmen. A total at the present time of fifty-five enlisted men and two officers.

Motorized equipment consists of three (3) five-hundred gallon pumbers, two (2) three-hundred-fifty gallon booster trucks, one (1) utility or hose truck, one (1) three-hundred gallon water truck (four-wheel drive) and one (1) one-half ton runabout.

One of the pumbers, one booster tank truck, the utility rig and the chief's buggy are stationed at Station No. 1. Two pumbers and the four-wheel drive are stationed at Station No. 2. One of the booster tank trucks is stationed at Station No. 3.

The four-wheel drive tank truck is soon to be equipped with a four-hundred G.P.M. pump, front mounted. This particular piece of equipment is used and will be used for the brush fire hazard. It is stationed at Station No. 2. However, should the occasion arise, it can be used as an auxiliary piece of equipment for that station. It is

planned to also equip Station No. 3 with one of the brush fire trucks. More equipment has been ordered and will be put in service at the various stations under the direction of the Fire Marshal.

All the equipment carries a complement of hose with the exception of the Chief's buggy and the brush fire trucks. However, when the pumps are mounted on the brush fire trucks, they also will carry hose. The pumbers carry 1,100 feet of 2½-inch hose and 200 feet of 1½-inch hose. The accordion load is used on all equipment; fire to hydrant on pumbers and hydrant to fire on the booster tank trucks.

Our men are given two weeks of intensive training before being assigned to the various stations for duty as firemen. However, their training does not stop there as three hours of every day is spent reviewing evolutions learned. The crews of the two outlying stations report to the headquarters station once a week to receive advanced training.

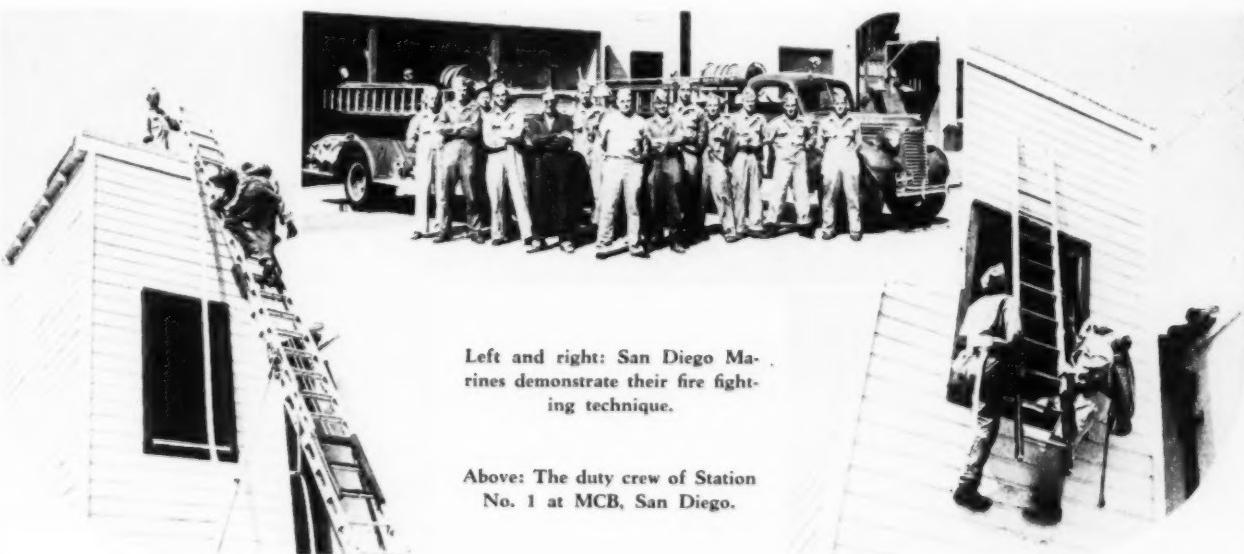
The entire department has just finished a thirty-hour course in Chemical Warfare, decontamination of gassed areas and the handling of incendiary bombs. A great deal of time has been devoted to the incendiary bomb problem, because we realize, if the time comes, and it "happens here," it will be our "baby." We have been able, through the courtesy of Chief C. H. Jackman, of the Consolidated Aircraft, to obtain sufficient scrap magnesium to go into the practical extinguishment of magnesium bombs. This course of instruction as well as instruction in Chemical Warfare and decontamination of gassed areas was given by 2nd Lt. Scully, of the Damage Control Office.

We have also received a great deal of help from the personnel of the San Diego Fire Department Repair Shop, particularly from Chief Mechanic Woods, who has never seemed too busy to answer our multitude of questions. Our firemen are urged to

visit the various stations where they may be able to better their knowledge of fire fighting. All of the men who have done this have been very courteously received. Our firemen are keenly interested in all phases of fire fighting and fire prevention.

The Fire Chief, Pfc. Winkleman, and Pvt. Allen are the only members of this department who have had previous training as firemen. Pfc. Winkleman is a former member of the Western Springs, Cook County, Illinois, Fire Department, as is also the Fire Chief, Staff Sgt. George H. Schreder. Pvt. Allen is a former member of the Salt Lake City Fire Department. Chief Schreder was a drill instructor at Western Springs Fire Department with the rank of lieutenant. He also assisted in drilling members of the West Suburban Fireman's Association. Chief Schreder was called to active duty with the Marine Corps on November 11, 1940. He qualified as an expert machine gunner in a machine gun company before being transferred to the Base Fire Department in January, 1941, and under the direction of the Fire Marshal organized and trained the present department.

Personnel for the department is made up of picked men chosen by the Fire Chief. Because we realize that there is as much difference between a man with a hose and a trained fireman as there is between a man with a gun and a trained soldier, we planned and are carrying out a very intensive training program. The task has been made easy because our firemen come to us with what every fire department anywhere must have—discipline! We realize our shortcomings and consider ourselves a first alarm company only. It is a direct order of the Fire Marshal that the second our 1½-inch line is laid, outside aid must be summoned. This procedure is in effect at all stations. However, we are training ourselves so that should the day come when that outside aid may not be available, we will be able to do a creditable job.



Left and right: San Diego Marines demonstrate their fire fighting technique.

Above: The duty crew of Station No. 1 at MCB, San Diego.

SPORTS

BOURNE FIELD OPENS OWN "RACE TRACK"

The opening of Bourne Downs on Labor Day was a thrilling experience for hundreds of enthusiastic fans. Among the distinguished guests of Colonel Rogers was His Excellency, Governor Harwood. It is the first time in the history of the island that a pari mutuel was operated, and possibly one of the few tracks where gamblers and racketeers were not swarming around to "take" all the suckers they could find. The mutuels were operated simply, with the betting public making the odds. A small per cent was taken for the purse in each race and the rest returned to the betting public, who of course, were lucky to pick the right horse.

In the first race, Silver, owned by Staff Sergeant Hendry, came through to outrun the favorite, Blackout. In the second race, Moby Dick, owned by Sgt. Goode, copped the honors. Vagabond, a tenant of the Lonestar Stables, made the news in the third race. In the fourth, the Bourne Field Derby, Ace of Spades, another product of Lonestar Stables, came through to win the outstanding race of the afternoon. In the fifth and final race, Grandma, owned by Col. Rogers, was the only favorite of the afternoon to come through. This winds up our first broadcast from Bourne Downs. We hope to have another for you in the near future.

The finals of the Tennis Tournament ended in an upset with Pfc. Sokolnicki of the Gd. Det., winning over the favorite, "Killer" Cox, of BAD.

The baseball game between the Marines and the Submarine Base was too one-sided to offer much entertainment as far as baseball goes, but the continuous ribbing taken by the Sailors and the fine way they took it, offered plenty of entertainment for the vast crowd of spectators. The final score was Marines, 29; Sub Base, 1.

A rest period between events afforded everyone to freshen up a bit before going down to the ringside to witness as fine a program of boxing and wrestling events ever staged in an amateur ring. The first event of the evening was a wrestling match between "Two-Ton" Scoggins and "Kentuck" Redmond. "Kentuck" was a battling fool but could not match "Two-Ton's" extra weight and previous experience. "One-Punch" McGee won over "Singing Pappy" Dietlein in the first boxing bout of the evening, putting an end to the old argument as to who will be the better man. But, we are told, "Singing Pappy" wants a return match next month. In the other bouts we saw "Ex-Music" Warren surprise the crowd by winning the decision over W. O. James; "JK" Schlick over Cpl. Porter; "Hand-

some" Stratton over S. D. Holmes; H. White, Coast Guard, over R. E. Harrison of the Sub Base. Frank Nadasky won a decision over D. M. Whitford. Lingensifer, a boy from Guard Detachment, staged a beautiful bout with C. E. Volmer, Sub Base, winning the decision after three rounds of brilliant fist-throwing. W. A. Rowe of the Sub Base won a decision over D. A. Sabo, a last-minute substitute for Sokolnicki of the Guard Detachment. The final bout of the evening was the main event. J. R. Brown, II, of Base Air Detachment, met the favorite of the Coast Guard, J. A. Lanham, for three rounds of fast and furious boxing. In this bout we saw plenty of action, knock-downs, and warnings from the referee. Brown scored four knock-downs against Lanham, and Lanham, using his previous ring experience, held each count to nine. Through plenty of boos and warnings from the referee, Brown won the bout by a decision, ending the day's activities. The Staff of the Photo Lab was on hand the entire day taking shots of all the events, which we hope will be published in the next issue of *THE LEATHERNECK*. Be sure to get your copy early.

NAD, HAWTHORNE, NEV., MARINES COP COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

And I guess you know that if anybody wants to learn the finer points of baseball, just have them come around. You see, the Marines are now the county champs with five other teams in the league—a total of 24 games played. As a sort of reward for such tip-top playing, the team is going to have a dinner in town followed by a dance. And, if I know my Marines, a heck of a swell time will be had by all present.

COMPANY H, 2ND BATTALION, 8TH MARINES, LOSE OUT IN BALL GAME BUT SHINE AT FISHING

Our Company was challenged by "E" Company in a game of softball, but unfortunately we lost 9-1, but stand by "E."

Everyone looks forward to the fine swimming parties that are held weekly by Lieut. Napton as the fun is held at Mission Beach where there is plenty of beach, water, fish and ?

A most interesting fishing party was held this last month also headed by Lieut. Napton and composed of men in the 81 Millimeter platoon. There was enough fish caught by all to feed the entire battalion. Requests are in for more of these fishing parties especially from our top Sergeant, Ed Kron, who claims to be a fisherman of the old school and let me tell you that school that he went to held a lot of

fish. Time is drawing to a close and we must leave you all. With more news next month. Adios.

DIVISION COMMUNICATION SCHOOL FIELDS CRACK BALL TEAM

Wednesday afternoon is devoted to athletics with the result that a pretty good baseball team has been developed. To date the base Signal Detachment have suffered four good sound defeats from the Combination of Rando pitching, Hogue catching and being backed upon the infield by my Tisdale, Bills, Saniter, Salvadori and Hopkins. In the outfield snagging the long high ones are Hall, Jackson and Woodcock. So anyone who can read will readily understand that we are not only turning out good telephone and radiomen but they are athletes too. Well, this is about all for this issue so until the next time we speak remember it is easier to teach by evasion than it is by persuasion.

MARINES AND SAILORS PROVE UNDEFEATABLE COMBINATION AT LAKEHURST

A softball team representing the station composed of Marines and Sailors has met with not a little good fortune, losing no games to date. An unbeaten and untied team from Fort Monmouth went down before the bludgeons and pitching of the Station Team to the tune of 19 to 1. A return game has not been scheduled as yet. Fort Dix's team captained by Singing Superman Bill Kent invaded Lakehurst only to lose in the last inning by a score of 6 to 5. Lakehurst journeyed to Fort Dix for the return game and emerged victorious by the scant margin of 3 to 2 in a hair-raising, hard-fought contest. Fort Dix, defeated but not downed, have arranged for another game to be played at Lakehurst.

NAS. ALAMEDA, MARINES PREP FOR BIG GAME

Athletics here on the station seems to find the Marines having the situation well in hand. Our softball team under the expert coaching of Pfc. Harvey has enjoyed a fairly successful season, but due to a few serious setbacks managed to finish fifth in the league at Alameda. However, every member of the team is looking forward to the much publicized game between the Marines of the Receiving Ship and our own group to be played in a matter of a few days. The results of this engagement will have to be given in the next edition of this book, but we assure you a very interesting game.

BOGART'S BANTERING

Jobs we would hate to have. Being elected or appointed coach for an All-Star football team to play some pro team. Getting 35 or so star players in itself might be a coach's dream but when all of them have been developed under 35 or so different systems, well, everything just ain't steak and eggs. Fortunately football nowadays is highly specialized team work. Individual stars may shine on their team but they must fit in with the team or they'll get nowhere and then they just don't shine. Years ago if a coach managed to dig up an outstanding ball packer, well the rest of the team was just ten men on the field. The star got all the credit. Look at Red Grange and all the ballyhoo he got. Sure, he was a swell ball player but how many people remember a man named Brittain who made all the holes for the Galloping Ghost to pass through? Without the type of interference supplied by Brittain, the Ghost might have been just another back who was getting thrown for 5-yard losses.

What brought this up was the job Jim Crowley had whipping his college stars into a good team to battle the New York Giants in a charity game. The score was proof of his lack of time.

While on the subject of the N. Y. Giants, we wonder how much longer Mel Hein will be able to keep going. When he goes (and he's going fast) with him goes the famous N. Y. line. Even last year that line failed to show up so well. Many gains were made through that line while two years ago those gains wouldn't have been dents.

Well, the All-Star-Pro game is over. And what a game. For a while it looked as if the Stars were going to be able to hold 'em down. But even with Norman Standee, T-formation expert from Stanford, in there quarterbacking for the Stars, the Pros had too much power and teamwork. Wonder how many noticed the quarterback system of George Halas. Sid Luckman on the offensive and Swisher on the defensive. Even if they were badly beaten, with a couple of games under their belts, the Stars would soon click even in the National League.

Pop Warner has really quit. Having resigned from his job at San Jose State, where he has been serving in an advisory capacity, Pop says he is going to coach from the grandstand now and let the other fellow do the worrying. So finishes a glorious career directing the football destinies of the old Carlisle Indians, Pitt, Stanford, and Temple.

Pulling the ChiSox up to second place has paid dividends for Jimmy Dykes. He has signed a new contract to pilot the Sox for three more years. There were rumors that he might take over the Detroit Tigers, but that's out now. Jimmy has run the club since 1934 which is a record in Chicago. It is reported that he will receive about \$27,500

yearly.

If the season doesn't end soon, the Cleveland Indians are apt to find themselves in the second division. But for Bob Feller and Jeff Heath and maybe one or two others who really are in there fighting, the Indians would be giving the Senators a run for the cellar position.

by a long shot. Old Lon Warnecke's perfect ball game of last month shows how they are playing ball. The Cards want that dag just as badly as the Dodgers, but whoever wins it, there's going to be a battle.

With the Yanks already in, the A. L. is now just a battle for the White Sox, Red Sox, and Indians to stay in the first division. Even now the Tigers may beat out the Indians for fourth place.

The N. L. always boasted that they had the pitchers. Yet the three top winners are in the A. L. Good old Lefty Grove has 300 wins, Red Ruffing has 245 and Ted Lyons 243.

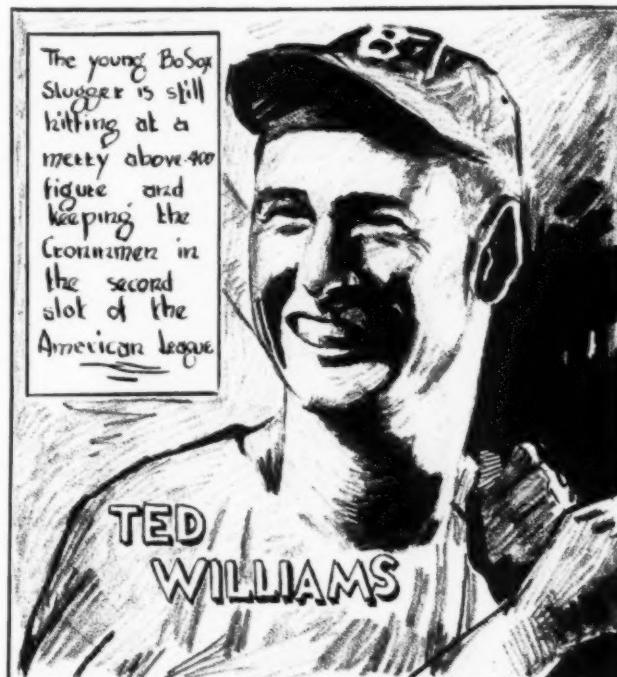
The Washington Redskins, you remember 'em, they were on the short end of that 73-0 score in the N. L. finals last year, well, they are getting the works out in San Diego. Ray Flaherty and Turk Edwards are putting them through the mill. There are over 20 new players in there fighting for a berth which makes some of the vets very unhappy. We think several of last year's "stars" will be gone when the opening gun is fired.

Incidentally, should Brooklyn win the pennant they can thank Kirby Higbe for winning it for them. Young Higbe developed into too good a player for the Phillies so Larry McPhail bought him for the Brooklyn "Bums." Ducky Medwick and Pete Rieser have also helped in many ways, but it's to Higbe the honors should go. Without him, the Dodgers wouldn't even be in the scrap.

Should Nova manage to beat Louis on the 29th, Lord help the heavyweight group. We'll have a new champ each time the title is defended. While Louis is not apt to lose, there is always that chance. Had Billy Conn been a bit less cocky that night he might have won the title. But one can't be cocky with Joe the

Champ. Other than Louis, there isn't a man in the heavyweight ranks who could reasonably be expected to hold the title if he defends it. Nova would probably defend the title, if he wins it, about once a year. Or shall we say just ONCE. We think Billy Conn would take it right away from him.

Looks like the Washington Senators will manage to cop the cellar championship for the first time since Griffith took over 29 years ago. They have had several teams which belonged in the cellar but have managed to escape through bum playing of some other teams.



Deacon Bill McKechnie is another manager who has gotten himself another contract. He recently signed up for two more years with the Reds at about \$30,000, which ain't peanuts. Old Bill is about 64 years old but no one would ever know it. He's had a heartbreaking year this season. While the team is playing good ball, they just aren't hitting up to standard and the pitching could be better. Looks like there will be lots of changes next year. The Reds have been a fine fielding team with no more punch than a malted milk.

The Dodgers seem to think they are already in. Maybe by the time this comes off the press they will be, but they've got to keep playing ball. The Cards won't give up

WEST COAST

Led by Charlie Ruggles, Benny Rubin, Linda Ware, Hanley Stafford, Vya Vonn and a host of other stars from the Acme Brewing Company's Radio Show "Barrel of Fun," over three thousand officers, enlisted men and recruits in training were royally entertained in the amphitheatre of the **RECRUIT DEPOT, MARINE CORPS BASE, SAN DIEGO**, recently.

Continuing the show for more than an hour after the broadcast was over, the stars from stage and screen put on what is conceded to be the best show ever received at the Base.

Miss Ware's singing had the recruits completely enthralled, when the witty patter of Benny Rubin and Charlie Ruggles rolled them in the aisles.

Benny Rubin acted as master of ceremonies of the impromptu show, and soon showed the hysterical audience why he has remained popular for more than a decade.

However, M. C. Rubin was stopped completely more than once by brilliant outbursts from Charlie Ruggles, who sat on the sidelines and heckled him. A very clever tap routine by Lorraine Kruger was followed by a dance by Benny and Verma Felton. Sitting side by side on two chairs they went through a very complicated tap routine, that ended when they both went sprawling off onto the floor.

After the show the stars were deluged with Marines seeking autographs on caps, belts, and almost any article of clothing or piece of paper that came to hand. The generosity with which the cast members acceded to the Marines' demands came in for special commendation.

The entire cast later were guests of Colonel Arthur at the Officers' Club.

Second Lieutenant Melvin D. Henderson joined **HEADQUARTERS & SERVICE COMPANY, 2ND ENGINEER BATTALION**, from the MD, USS "Pennsylvania," on July 19, 1941, and is now a Company officer. A likeable and very capable officer, who has won the respect and admiration of all his men. Lieutenant Henderson seems to enjoy working with this Company especially with maps, and we don't object to having an officer like the Lieutenant.

First Sergeant John Slezak, who joined us August 14, 1941, will take over our company office very soon while our old First Sergeant Joe B. Mink will go aboard the USS "Oklahoma" for sea duty. We are all sorry to see him go because he was one square guy.

The Mapping and Surveying Sections, under the management of Master Gunnery Sergeant Isham (who, incidentally, is up for warrant officer), is developing by leaps

and bounds. The fellows are already mastering the mysteries of space, and the intricacies of the higher mathematics. All equipment is in portable condition, clean and ready to move to any designation desired by the Commanding Officers.

The trip made to Griffith Park Planetarium in Los Angeles on August 14 was, to our estimation, the most educational yet breath-taking panorama that we have ever had the good fortune to witness. Under the mammoth dome, the exact replica of our heavens, darkened to the pitch of night, we witnessed the parade of all the heavenly bodies, from north to south, east to west, pole to pole, all in great splendor. The aurora borealis of the south and north poles was magnificent. The infinite smallness of our world and ourselves made us all somewhat pensive.

After the presentation we were given a special lecture and demonstration on Field

Astronomy which helped clear up many complicated problems.

Private First Class Nathaniel S. Elliott has been instructing classes on photography for many student representations of the different regiments. The progress is excellent and above expectations. A new dark room for photo-development is under construction, making all concerned very happy and enthusiastic. Recently a new five-color contour map was run off the press which received compliments of all officers.

No news from the camouflage department; must be in hiding. Tried to get some dope from them but it was no use. Goes to show you how well they can hide things.



Maj. Gen. William P. Upshur, Linda Ware, and Charlie Ruggles at the "Barrel of Fun" show sponsored by the Acme Brewing Company for the enlisted personnel at MCB, San Diego.

MEN!

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Try Palmolive Brushless Shave Cream today. Enjoy its quick, brushless, latherless shaves. Remember—no shave cream not made with Olive and Palm Oils can give you this same lubricating film!



Here in COMPANY A, 2nd Engineer Battalion, we are looking back on five and one-half months of arduous line and combat training. We have accomplished much and there is much more we hope to accomplish but we do feel that satisfactory feeling that accompanies a job well done. The reason for our lament is the coming of our turn to pitch in and perform the construction and maintenance work about the camp. The men look forward to this period of practical training for several reasons. Mainly to get back in shape and toughen up again with hard work. Then again it gives the man who doesn't quite seem to soldier as well as he can perform other jobs the chance to actually get out and show his stuff.

This periodical function performed by Companies A, B, and C of the Second Engineer Battalion, each in turn, aids in breaking the monotony of strictly working at being a soldier and gives that measure of practical experience an Engineering outfit so badly needs. Building roads, constructing odd and practical things, demolition practice, planning and executing many projects, and various functions all so necessary to getting Camp Elliott into shape as a neat, well planned and well built military post. This is the job we are looking forward to.

Since the last time we had our turn at construction and maintenance the men have had much opportunity to attend schools and training courses to fit them for engineering. Riggers have spent months learning their job well, mechanics have had much practical experience. Electricians have performed their training jobs and the many other branches of training have had a chance to learn more.

Now for approximately one and one-half months, this organization will test in practice much which they have learned. We have known satisfaction in our work before and we know that we will feel it again.

Since last writing we have had the usual joinings, discharges, transfers and promotions. Private Bernard C. Lyons has just joined us from the Training Center, Marine Barracks, Quantico, Virginia, where he has just completed a course of instruction in demolitions. Welcome to our Company, Private Lyons.

Field Music First Class Vernon W. Decker was given a special order discharge into the USS "Outside" for the purpose of caring for his ailing mother. Decker very recently lost his father, who was a former service man, and we wish here to extend from all the fellows in the Company our deepest sympathy. Private First Class Aubrey L. Roberts was temporarily detached for duty at Marine Barracks, Quantico, Virginia, for the purpose of undergoing a course of instruction in demolitions. Private First Class Ralph S. Freeman, Jr., was transferred to Quantico, Virginia.

We are also happy to welcome back Second Lieutenant Robert S. Riddell, who has been instructing the Platoon Leaders' Class at the Base.

Last but not least Corporal Morris B. Dodge made Sergeant; Private First Class Floyd E. Graff was promoted to Corporal, and Privates Ernest B. Howell and Herbert J. Blackburn were both promoted to Private First Class. That's about all the dope now until next month when we will be back with more.

The month of August finds very few

changes in news items since the last time COMPANY B, 2d Engineer Battalion, went to press for THE LEATHERNECK. However, all is not lost, because we have had several promotions since the last time and new Corporal Joe Brown, Field Cook Eldridge Screws, Pfc. Harry Abbott, Pfc. Ted Price and Assistant Cook Walt Smithart are very happy about it all.

Furloughs are being passed out as fast as we can go through the Company roster, and the law allows. "Scuttlebutt" has it that they might be knocked off soon and everyone is trying to get their turn at a long awaited vacation.

We have with us now a new and able "Skipper," who joined us last month from the east coast, Captain Charles O. Clark. We extend our heartiest greetings to our new C.O. and wish him a long stay and good luck in his command. To our former "Skipper," First Lieutenant Virgil M. Davis, we extend the best of luck in future assignments in the Marine Corps and hope that he will be able to stay with us for a long time to come.

Two more of our Company are relishing the thought of being "short timers," Corporal Breneman and Pfc. Molaison. By the time this goes to press, they will be civies again and we of Company B wish them the best of luck possible on the outside. We further extend to these men our helpful warnings that they must be very careful about their health when they get home due to a noticeable "draft."

This organization was called upon to live up to the old tradition of the Corps, "First to Fight," even if it was a raging brush fire. We were the first Marines to arrive on the scene of the fire and stayed there ten hours fighting the blaze until re-



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Another month has flown past and it's time again to send you all the latest news from COMPANY C, Second Engineer Battalion.

We have just completed our term of Camp Maintenance here at Camp Elliott, and we are now going to do a little concentrated soldiering. We have had a few promotions lately, so without further preliminaries here they are. Donald L. Baker and Robert K. Smith made Corporal, Ralph M. Duncan, Leonard S. Morgan and Frank P. Steed made Pfc., and Astor R. Carlson and Charles E. Ward made Assistant Cook. Along with our promotions, we have lost Mess Sergeant Lafragola to H & S Company. Sergeants Alexander, Card and

Schwebke have made the new Platoon Sergeant's List.

Sometime in the near future we are going to hold a beer party in order to cool off from the hard work that we have been doing for the last two months.

During the past month several members of this Company have had furloughs. Among some that have been lucky are: Corporals Everett and Baker; Pfc's. Morgan, Barrios, Burger, Denson, Johnson, Samson, Steed, and Whipple; Privates Combs, Winters and Woods. That must have been a reward for good work, so until next issue, keep up the swell work, fellows.

As a new born babe comes into existence with a whirl of attention so has the new DIVISION COMMUNICATION SCHOOL evolved. With thirty telephone students and some twenty-nine other humans going dippy over radio keys, the new outfit has gone into action in an effort to help take up the slack in the lack of Communication personnel that is needed. Marine Gunner Webber who is in command of the school has received excellent cooperation whenever necessary from all sources that supplied material for the school. After being in action for the past five weeks Mr. Webber has begun to feel optimistic that the staff of instructors are really doing some good. Why even the students seem to be learning something. MT-Sgt. "Pee Wee" Nelson is zipping out the dope for instruction to Sgt. W. J. Connors, Cpl's. Mattison and Marcopolous. The latter rate hand-claps for their new rates. Now what men under the tutelage of the above individuals can't learn how to be a radioman in twelve easy weeks? In the way of mentioning telephone instructors we would like to offer our congratulations to Sgt. Roberts who now has the new prefix of Master Technical Sgt. Everyone around here feels as though this is one case where the old Corps really came through and gave a man his just deserts. Back to the school, though, we find the men undergoing through the evolutionary process of becoming splicers, operators, troublemen and in general good telephone men are being lectured by Sgt. C. A. Youngs and Corp. K. B. Boyd. By the way of acknowledgment and appreciation we would like to thank the Eighth Marines for letting us use Corp. Boyd and the Second Marines for the use of Sgt. Connors. All the rest of the instructors are from good ole Second Signal Company. Two other pieces of help that drifted around are Corps. J. A. Kent and J. Border. The former doing a mighty fine job of Police Sgt. and Border just another office clerk.

The Second, Eighth and Tenth Marines

sent some of their best men down here to be educated but not to be outdone the Division Special Troops sent their quota.

Corp. Wise from the Eighth Marines was promoted while in school and readily passed out the cigars.

That the Second Marines are the best trained troops in the First or Second Marine Division was the opinion expressed by Colonel Joseph C. Fegan, USMC, regimental commander, just before the final lap on this outfit's long trek back from Indian country around Mesa Grande.

The men of the FIRST BATTALION, SECOND MARINES, under Lt. Col. J. A. Mixson and Captains Pressley and Murray, USMC, went places where no respectable mountain goat would be seen!

After all that the little jaunt to the Base at San Diego from Camp Elliott

didn't amount to much and the shake-down and clean up of quarters quickly give way to Base "routine."

August promotions brought on a flood of cigars, smiles, frowns, gum-chewing and "I want a transfer," respectively. Requests for leaves and furloughs always help the "Tops" pass the time away.

The consensus of opinion among the doughties of BATTALION HEADQUARTERS, SECOND BATTALION, SECOND MARINES, is that Hannibal, the Carthagenean general who considerably equipped his men with elephants with which to scale the Alps in the Second Punic War, should deserve far more acclaim than contemporary historians are wont to offer.

Walking may be conducive to conditioning and rejuvenation, according to the theories of physical culturist Bernarr MacFadden, but riding a pachyderm, as did Hannibal and his troops, can instill morale and preserve bunions and brogans.

Weary, disheveled, but still displaying the insurmountable spirit which has distinguished the seven-month-old Second Regiment, the Second Battalionites recently concluded their initial extended maneuvers in the wilds of Southern California!

Traveling over territory once explored by Kit Carson and other early-day trail-breakers, country interspersed with rugged plateaus and desert terrain, sprinkled with an occasional tribe of Indians and mountain nomads, the 12-day junket afforded one the opportunity to view vistas seldom seen by white men. The incomparable expanse and scenic beauty of San Diego County was a source of surprise and wonderment to all.

Numerous hikes, featured on training programs since early last April, had conditioned all hands to the rigors of the field. Other than an occasional plaint of aching feet and omni-present "sniffles," the personnel participating gallantly withstood the ravages of the march and Dame Nature.

Unerring judgment was used in the selection of bivouac areas. . . . Mountain streams, fringing the camps, were readily accessible, and alleviated the bathing problem, usually the "bone of contention" during such field exercises.

Free swimming and shower accommodations at the local park and high school were offered all Second Regimenters. The ladies of the Ramona Grange graciously served refreshments, as well as equipping a writing room and musical instruments for liberty diversion.

The kindness and liberality of the citizens of Ramona will be remembered by the Second Marines. . . . As Sgt. Major Jack Comer suggested as an appropriate banner to surmount the city's streets:

"RAMONA, CITY OF HOSPITALITY"

The Second Regiment's march and encampment were highlighted in the "RAMONA SENTINEL," a weekly published by Editor Lambreth Haneock. Pictures of the Ramona bivouac and liberty parties were emblazoned across the front page of the Sentinel, in addition to news and feature columns describing the mountain-girdling activities in the Mesa Grande territory.

Fifty per cent of the proceeds from the sales of the Sentinel were generously donated to the Navy Relief Fund.

At Poway, the final bivouac area, a few hours before we were heralded back to Camp Elliott by the Commanding General and the divisional band, our regimental commander, Col. Joseph C. Fegan, commended all hands with honest pride in the accomplishments of the maneuver.

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, SECOND BATTALION, SECOND MARINES, again cracks the print after a rather busy month:

Among the newcomers to whom all extend a welcome is Major William B. Onley, new executive officer. Major Onley joined this command from Marine Corps Headquarters.

We also welcome back to our company First Lieutenant Ralph H. Coyte, who takes over plans and training. Second Lieutenant Merwyn C. Plumley also joins our company as company officer. Both Lieutenants Coyte and Plumley are former "E" Company officers.

Our Battalion Medical staff has been augmented by the arrival of Lieutenant (jg) Edwin J. Welte, USN.

First Sergeant Frank J. Murphy has joined taking First Sergeant James E. Garris' place. "Top" Garris went to the Tenth Regiment.

Among those who have left the past month is Captain Jacob G. Goldberg, now with Division Special Troops. Captain Goldberg was our former executive officer. Second Lieutenant John R. Mayer has been transferred to "E" company. Lieutenant (jg) Donald R. MacKinnon, USN, has left our medical staff for the staff of the First Battalion, Second Regiment.

Sergeant Lewis Cumelotti completed a "hitch" and joined again this month and was awarded a Good Conduct Bar.

The Communications Platoon lost Sgt. John A. DeVinney via the discharge route. He has a new job with the Southern California Telephone Company.

Among those made happy with new ratings this past month are Duane W. Buch and Warren S. Dowson who have made HAs. Dallas R. Bennett and Clarence Webber are the proud bearers of Corporal's stripes. William J. Amstutz and Jesse C. Dent are now Pfc's.

This month **COMPANY E**, Second Battalion, Second Marines, has lost two of its officers, First Lieutenant Ralph H. Coyte, Company Commander, and Second Lieutenant Merwyn C. Plumley, to Battalion Headquarters. In their places we have received First Lieutenant Thomas R. Stokes, our new Company Commander, and Second Lieutenant John R. Mayer, company officer. Again, through transfer, we have lost Pfc. Jack W. Sturdevant to Regimental H&S., and Pfc. Eugene R. Wilhiams to parachute troops.

It should go without saying that this company sends its sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to Chief Cook Vernon V. Johnson, Pfc. Rodney S. Hoppe, and Pvts. Ralph Bunes, Joseph L. Dozier, and William W. Zenkus . . . all of whom are resting at the U. S. Naval Hospital, and welcomes Pfc. H. Bunch back to duty.

Sgt. Sylvester Boucher and Corp. Robert C. Spillman returned from sniper's school. Pfc. Dan Sullivan and Corp. Wilfred D. Wooderson rejoined us upon completion of the Western Platoon Leaders' Class, where they acted as instructors.

Cigars are in order from Sgts. Albert H. Abbott and Donald M. Rudd, Pfc's. William F. Emry and Ernest L. Vogel, and Asst. Cooks Guy V. Gibbs and James D. Moore. These men have received their rates during the last couple of months.

COMPANY F, Second Battalion, Second Marines, started the last month off with a bang. This outfit has had four promo-

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tions. Private First Class James R. Wells, Jr., is now Corporal Wells, and Privates Frank S. Filicky, Homer S. Kacy and Glen E. Vaughan are now each wearing one stripe.

The highlight of the past period was twelve-day siege of maneuvers in which we all participated. We hiked for three days and then made camp. We participated in several-day-and-night field problems in the Mesa Grande area. On the way home we were treated like kings by the people of Ramona. The townspeople gave us cold drinks, cakes, sandwiches, and you can bet we were not at all bashful about accepting such hospitality.

All in all, we covered approximately 150 miles of territory, mostly mountainous. The return march was a little bit tough but the Second Marines came through in fine style and showed their officers that they could take it.

COMPANY G, Second Battalion, Second Marines, is preparing to "sell the cows and move into town." The old base will look good to most of us "city slickers" following our semi-successful fight with Camp Elliott dust. It will also be quite a contrast to the kind of livin' we've been doin' the past two weeks out Mesa Grande way. The 150-odd miles of hiking that-a-way and

back proved no mean job for the tender feet. The heat was a bit intense.

The "Gyngling Gyrenes" of **COMPANY H**, 2nd Bn., 2nd Marines, are sounding off again.

The men of this company are using this week for two purposes. First but not so important, because of our ruggedness, all hands hope to recuperate from the recent twelve-day hike and maneuver. Second, we are on our way from Camp Elliott to the Base at San Diego. There is not one man in the company who is sorry to leave and return to the base!

The sad part of it all is that we are bidding aloha to three of our top-side NCOs, namely, First Sgt. Quigg, Gunnery Sgt. Walters, and Platoon Sgt. Waugh. Sgts. Walters and Waugh are leaving to do a little of squads "east and west" aboard ship while Sgt. Quigg is out for reenlistment furlough.

This outfit also is welcoming into its ranks 1st Sgt. Townsend, fresh from romantic China.

We're refreshed by the free beer, cigars and words of modest pride via the Sgt. Valentour, Corporals Stock and Yevurka, and Pfc. Bosland, Piskor and Sullivan. The aforementioned just made their rates

and they can assure everybody that they were ably "tacked on."

Without a doubt the members of **HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE COMPANY, SECOND MARINES**, will remember this month as being the one of the "long hike." Carrying out their duties with an indomitable spirit despite weary bodies and blistered feet, the men of this command proved without a doubt that they are thoroughly Marines of the "can take it" class. The one feature of the entire 12-day maneuver which stood foremost was the splendid morale, not only of H&S Company, but of the entire Second Marine command.

Even the new Second Marine bulldog mascot, Grog, has morale. Grog was born June 1, 1941. His father is none other than the famed Sergeant Duffy. Most of the Marines who have served around San Diego know Duffy. Grog is his exact miniature. Gun. Sgt. Harry M. Towle has been appointed official custodian for Grog.

Promotions came in job lots this month. The Paymaster section had two men promoted, namely, French, D. H., to Sergeant and Bucci, A. A., to Private First Class. In the communication section Gifford, C. C., and Boston, T. C., were promoted to Sergeant and Schmidt, A. O., picked off a corporal's stripe. The corporals did their part, too, with Harrison, R. G., and Spray, M. K., being promoted to Pharmacist's Mate Third Class. In the Quartermaster Dept. Svedberg, D. H., was promoted to Sergeant and Meyers, W. P. G., Jr., to Corporal. The Anti-tank Intelligence and Office personnel also came through with promotions: Adams, N. H., Gann, H. A., Zarling, J. A., to Sergeant; Brown, T. M., Borsheim, A. J., McLarry, W. V., Corkran, C. V., all to corporal.

On the officers' list there were two promotions: Maj. Benjamin W. Atkinson, USMC, and Maj. John J. Flynn, USMCR, were both commissioned lieutenant-colonels.

Now that the Second Marines have moved from Camp Elliott to the Marine Corps Base in San Diego, all hands again have turned to the "spit and polish" part of Marine routine. There is little excitement here with plenty of guard duty for everybody. However, all hands seem glad to be at the base.

More "Minutes from the Seconds," again it is **COMPANY M** of the Third Battalion, Second Marines that gives with the non-reg chatter; the men of this company have finally found out what the "M" stands for in the company designation. All hands know now that it stands for MARCHING!

The Second Regiment has just returned from a jaunt to the Mesa Grande area for a bit of field work. Incidentally, the command covered about 150 miles. The hike was made in four easy jumps.

The Second went to Poway, a wide place in the road, the first night; then, next day, to the little village of Ramona where "liberty reigned." Needless to say, even the sick, lame and lazy were glad for the chance to hit the showers.

The Ramona folks were good enough to make the high school pool available.

The third "halt" was by the side of a mountain stream in the Cleveland National Forest where the outfit laid over for a day to let its sore feet cool. The objective, however, was made next morning by a cross country trek over beautiful moun-

tain trails. Of course, some of the men admired the colorful green and red leaves on the bushes and readily turned up with a skin irritation known commonly as poison oak!

At the objective, Mesa Grande, several days were devoted to combat problems. Relief came with a true festival, to which all hands were invited.

On the return this outfit covered about the same ground by marching in the heat of the day, cool of the night, and even in the cold grey dawn.

Getting around to the inner workings of M Company, it had the usual share of promotions starting with Corp. Schiesl who took another step up to sergeant as did Corp. Kapica. Pfc. Strickland and Pfc. Hanuschak made the grade to corporal. Two other men won their first stripe, the Company Clerk, Pfc. T. S. Witherspoon and H. L. Dodd. The cigars were passed out as usual.

Someone once said that one man's loss was another's gain and it was doubly so with M Company. It lost one First Sergeant and joined another. 1st Sgt. Parnell was transferred to "K" Company—not so far from home but that we still can keep in touch with him. The new "Top" is 1st Sgt. John S. DuRant, better known to his friends as "Sparky." He is fresh back from China and still full of "ding hau" for everyone. It is easy to see where he gets his nickname. Just drop around to the company office any day and you can see the sparks flying!

Having traded places with the Eighth Marines and given them the nice summer home at Camp Elliott, this outfit moved into the Base where you can breathe without inhaling pounds of red dust. So all hands will "walk our posts in a military manner" . . . until further notice.

What with skipping out to the coffee shop for a shot of mud, beating it to the mess hall for chow, and to guess where as soon as the place opens, your anxious reporter can scarcely find time to keep **HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE COMPANY, EIGHTH MARINES**, in the news. First thing, pat Mike Clarke on the back for making the Platoon Sergeant list—next, lend a waterproof shoulder to those who didn't make that list—then, listen to a loud and lengthy peroration on the many advantages of China from our most recent Asiatic, Richard J. Baker—further, join in an even louder discussion with the rest of our Old China Hands. By that time everyone is well snowed under, and, of course, under the deepest drift are the twenty-eight Marines we have drawn from the Recruit Depot this month.

Somewhat nearer fresh air in that drift are the other men who have joined during the period covered by this report, and whose names we intend to give you later. To continue—also by that time it is nearing nine o'clock and so, provided all the Sergeants are awake, we journey to the coffee shop to beat authoritative gums over the amount of work to be done, leaving the two-pieces to do the work. Back to the barracks to check up on progress and see that the well-known wheels are turning smoothly. Out for early chow, leaving those wheels spinning like a button on an out-house door. A nap in the afternoon, to recuperate and because growing boys need plenty of rest; another coffee, another session with the hired help, and the day is over.

Promoted during the past thirty days were: Staff Sergeant Stephen A. Jacobs, Sergeant Edward J. Evans, Corporals William W. Adams and Robert B. Hutchinson, and Privates First Class Louis H. Ramsey and William H. Johnston. Joined we have Captain Peter A. McDonald as Adjutant and Company Commander, 1st Lieutenant Laun M. Reis, as Intelligence Officer, 1st Lieutenant Herbert R. Nusbaum and 2nd Lieutenant William N. Wilkes, Jr., to the Anti-Tank Platoon. Meanwhile, and we're sorry to say so, we lost Lieutenant (jg) Joseph K. Orr of the Navy Medical Corps to the Naval Hospital, Pearl Harbor.

And the names of the men who joined the company individually were: Sgt. Arthur G. Hilbig, from the Schools Detachment, Philadelphia Navy Yard, who came here with Pfc. Alfred C. Lowe; Pvt. Edgar M. Culp, from DHS, Birmingham; Henry T. Sedgewick, HALC, from the 2nd Batt; Pvt. Harold D. Allee, Pvt. Samuel E. A. Schmidt, Pvt. Arthur L. Dahlin, and Field Music Sylvester L. Gregory.

August 19 **HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 1ST BATTALION, 8TH MARINES**, left the barracks at the Base, in San Diego, for a long trek out to Camp Elliott. Trucks were not provided for the moving, and so as the Second Marines left Camp Elliott to take over the Base, we hiked eighteen miles in the hot sun to our new quarters.

Camp Elliott is much different than it was when we left it last winter. This time we have air-conditioned barracks which are going to offer much more protection against the winter rains than the two-man tents did at that time. We find the Post Exchange is considerably enlarged and able now to take care of a large crowd; the theatre is large and comfortable; and across the street from the Camp are several "night spots" for our enjoyment.

We were pleasantly surprised by everything about Camp Elliott except that we of the First Battalion are having to eat under the dubious canvas shelter of an outside mess hall, and we are having to use our mess gear. But as the saying goes, "you can't have everything." Elliott is a better place to be than the Base, we have all agreed (with special emphasis because there is little guard duty here), and we are willing to undergo the hardship of having to eat from mess gear.

Our company, in the meantime, has been fortunate with promotions. Sergeant Vernon E. McDonald was promoted to Platoon Sergeant; Corporal Robert E. Wise to Sergeant; Privates First Class Melvin L. Munkres, and Clair B. Bliss to Corporal; Privates William J. Porter, Jr., and Murl H. Stein to Private First Class. Assistant Cook Raymond E. Oswald was promoted to Field Cook and, last but not least, Supply Sergeant Samuel I. Ming moved into the first pay grade as a Quartermaster Sergeant.

We've had few transfers, having lost notably, Private First Class Emmett Douglass, Jr., to the Division Pay Office; Private First Class Thomas J. Ciszek and Private Earl W. Weller to Parachute Troops in Lakehurst, New Jersey, where they are sending us all sorts of wild stories such as jumping from thirty-foot towers, and rushing at the open doors of a flying transport plane "just to get the feel of it." We note they have not jumped yet, but when they do jump our best wishes will be for them. Few transfers and lots of new re-



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eruits. The line companies of the first battalion have received a large number of recruits and we ourselves have received about thirteen good men. This brings our strength about up to quota, and it allows us to enter into a better training program than was possible when we were under strength.

Among officers we lost First Lieutenant Herbert R. Nusbaum to Headquarters and Service Company of the Eighth Marines, and got in his stead First Lieutenant Milton J. Green as adjutant from Company B of this battalion.

Second Lieutenant William L. Clauset, Jr., joined us again from Company A, and Major James P. Risley replaced Captain Games as Battalion Commander. The Major joined us from the USS "Idaho" where

he commanded a Marine Detachment aboard ship.

That nearly covers the situation at present except that quite a number of our men both of the Communications and Intelligence Sections are at schools receiving intensive training in their lines of work.

This issue of THE LEATHERNECK finds COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, EIGHTH MARINES, again getting accustomed to Camp Elliott's routine and dust. The change from the Marine Corps Base to Camp Elliott, although dusty, was most agreeable.

We have welcomed many new men into the Company since our last LEATHERNECK article and the shortage of men that was caused when the 6th Marines left San Diego is now a thing of the past. Being up to full strength again, everyone is anxious to get into the harness and get the most out of our intensified training period here at Camp Elliott.

Captain Richard W. Hayward was with us only four days when he received his orders to report for duty with the Parachute Troop Unit at Lakehurst, N. J. We wish you a pleasant tour of duty at your new post, Captain.

Platoon Sergeant Holman who was on temporary detached duty as an instructor for the Western Platoon Leaders' Class, has reported back for "hiking" duty.

Congratulations are in order for Platoon Sergeant Eugene A. Willingham who was promoted August 11, 1941, to his present rank. We feel that Willingham's promotion, after almost sixteen years of service, is well earned. We hope it will influence him to complete a thirty-year period of service in the Marine Corps.

After seven months of guard duty and working parties at the base, we now find ourselves back at Camp Elliott. When we left here in January, they called it Lake Elliott, but now it is a far cry from a lake. No rain has fallen here for months. As I write this, I can see smoke from a brush fire over in the hills.

While at the base, our ranks became sadly depleted through transfers to other organizations. Now we are getting replacements. Last Saturday, we received twenty recruits, and today we received eleven more. Now we shall be able to train without simulating our personnel along with a lot of other things.

Dust, dust, and more dust! You guessed it. This is COMPANY C, 1st Battalion, 8th Marines, beatin' their gums from Camp Elliott. We feel like a bunch of moles out here, but that's O.K., we've got a lot of ground to cover.

Twenty-one bright and shiny faces made their appearance in front of our humble home last Saturday. They're a likely looking bunch.

John J. Meyer was handing out "stories" the other day. The reason? He just made Platoon Sergeant.

Sixty per cent of the outfit is going to school of one kind or another, and it looks like it might be doing some good. Most of 'em have real intelligent looks on their faces nearly half of the time.

Many a homesick face is to be seen around these parts now-a-days. Furlough time is here.

Going to start doing some boxing this week. Word of the day will be, "Ouch, who hit me?"

The typewriters are all busted, and we're getting choked with dust (a truck just went by), so "Good-bye Now."

COMPANY D. First Battalion, Eighth Marines, is still keeping their splendid Machine Gun Record on top again for the 1941 season, along the Pacific Coast. Out of twenty new recruits that joined "Dog" Company last fall, nine were scored Expert Gunners, three First Class Gunners, and eight Second Class Gunners.

Furloughs seem to be in season again. Quite a few of the old timers of "Dog" Company, that haven't had furlough except Xmas leaves, are getting furlough first. From reports the men are bringing back, quite a few of their old school chums are selectees in the U. S. Army now.

Promotions are in order: Pfc. John E. Curtis was promoted to Corporal; Asst. Ck. Gilbert W. Christianson was promoted to Fld. Ck, while Fld. Ck. Robert P. Jones, Jr., was also honored with a promotion to Ch. Ck.

"Dog" Company was honored with thirty-one (31) new recruits, fresh from "Boot Camp." That means back to the "Boon Docks" for "Dog" Company, so we can train the new "Boots." These new "Boots" have duly sworn to break that new high scoring record which the last detail made.

We "Dog" Company have a new "Skipper," Captain M. S. Curran. Captain Curran has spent a couple years out in the blue Pacific on the Island of Guam. Captain Curran is an old Machine Gunner himself, so that means a hellish lot to us. Look out, Old Machine Gun Records, we are out gunning, and we don't mean squirrel hunting, either!!

This month finds HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, SECOND BATTALION, EIGHTH MARINES, in the big middle of Camp Elliott, commonly known as the dust bowl of Southern California. Since our last report, we have had several promotions and transfers. The promotions went to the following men: Corporals Dean R. Honnoll and Maurice J. Lynch to Sergeant; Privates First Class Lester L. Cutler, William P. Fort, Jr., Leland C. Carroll, Delbert T. Smith and Kirby Stevens to Corporal. Congratulations, men, and keep up the good work.

We were sorry to have lost Corporal Leo V. Clarke, Company Clerk, and general nuisance, who was transferred to the Department of the Pacific.

COMPANY F. Second Battalion, Eighth Marines, is here once again with all the dope. We are back at Camp Elliott after spending about seven months at the base. The old Camp sure looks good compared to what it was last January.

The Company has also changed considerably since we left. Transfers were coming so fast that our Company was almost down to nothing. Now that we are back at the Camp our Company is beginning to build up again. We hope to have a full strength company in a couple of months.

Many new men have joined our company this month. Most of them are from Recruit Depot. Some that are not are: Pl. Sgt. Clement C. Cross, Corp. Buell F. Powell, Corp. George F. Quatman and Corp. Gordon B. Laub. There are a few others that we don't have room to name,

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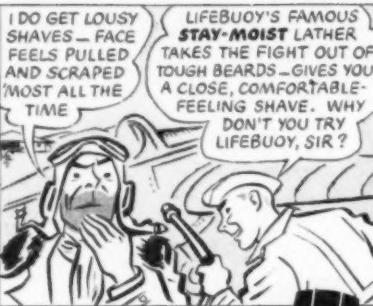


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but we wish them all, old and new, the best of luck.

Promotions have been coming steadily in this direction. Among the fortunate are: Moore, George T., Sgt. to Pl. Sgt.; Woods, David, Corp. to Sgt.; Wihborg, Gordon L., Corp to Sgt.; Risley, "J" "T", Field Cook to Chief Cook; Holman, Robert F., Pfc. to Corp.; Hair, Clifford N., Pvt. to Pfc.; Story, William W., Pvt. to Pfc.; Douglas, Winfield E., Student Cook, to Assistant Cook; Mangan, Patrick, Student Cook to Assistant Cook.

After hearing rumors about moving for almost a full month, the scuttlebutt has finally become cold fact and **COMPANY E**, Second Battalion, Eighth Marines, are quite definitely located at Camp Elliott, or "Lake" Elliott, as some of the fellows who were here last winter fondly refer to it. However, you may be quite certain that it is far from being a lake now in any sense of the word; this beautiful California sun has dried the ground completely and the continuous pounding of the feet of many men has made a veritable dust bowl out of the grounds around the new barracks.

Most of the men definitely approve of living here at camp, though. At least it is a change from the daily grind around the Base,—or maybe it is just the call of the wide open spaces that appeals to this mob of Texans, but any way, there is every indication that the fellows enjoy roughing it just a little now and then.

But to get to the more factual happenings of the recent past for the benefit of youse guys who enjoy facts and figures, the following changes in the company occurred during the month: Sergeant Brunner was discharged and has reenlisted; Corporal Vohs was discharged and is now living with his new bride in Long Beach; and Private First Class Houle was trans-

only a select few of the company were given an opportunity to attend this school, but, since the school will probably be held for some time, there is still hope for the less fortunate men who didn't get a chance to attend one of the first two schools.

And, speaking of schools, five men are at the Base attending schools. Corporal Matthews is attending Tractor School with the Second Motor Transport, Private First Class Hall and Private McAshan are attending Radio Operators' School, and Privates Hogue and Tisdale are attending Field Telephone School.

This writing finds **COMPANY G**, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, stationed at Camp Elliott. Although the 14-mile hike out only took about four hours, the men were in fine spirits and enjoyed the brief walk.

Sergeant James L. Jones is now on temporary duty undergoing special training at the Naval Air Station, San Diego, California.

The new members now attached to G Company are as follows: Gunnery Sgt. Mathews, W. G., Sgt. Davies, W. E., Pfc. Burson, C. H., Pfc. Harris, A. T., Pvt. Barlow, R. D., Preston, H. V., Lynn, A. E., Davis, M. J., Martin, J. B., Hoaglund, J. L., Cole, R. H., Napper, W. M., Pigeon, R. L., Kirkpatrick, E. G. Jr., Ling, W. B., Myers, F. M., Jr., Thayer, R. A., Altman, A., Haefner, F. O., Betterton, C. E., Bowles, I. M., Sivatko, F. P., Sinclair, T. L., Swain, L. O., Wasson, J. P.

During the month Pfs. Wilson, W. W., Burns, J. A., Rice, O., were promoted to Corporals.

Our company at the present time wants to put in a claim for a Marine Corps record. One of our boys recently received seventeen letters in a single day, his name is Euel G. Kirkpatrick; the luck of the Irish, I guess!

Corporal Wilson, W. W., and Baggs, H., are now wearing new chevrons.

Marines hit the airlanes again as those two old enemies,

Captain Flagg and Sergeant Quirt, tear up the ether with their typical Marine Corps lingo. Unforgettable in their portrayals of happy-go-lucky Marines, Victor McLaglen and Edmund Lowe are returning, in the parts they made famous, on the Mennen Shave Cream program. They will be on weekly—at 7.30 E. S. T., Sundays—over NBC's blue network.

individual officers under their command sufficient copies of Tables of Organization to meet the allowances prescribed for their particular unit.

⁴ In view of the early distribution of new Tables of Organization, and the limited supply or present tables, requests for the latter should not be submitted.

A. A. VANDEGRIFT, Acting.

25 March, 1941.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 447

From: The Major General Commandant.

To: All Officers, Regular and Reserve.

Subject: Discharges of men who were enlisted in Class III (e), Marine Corps Reserve, subsequent to 6 Feb. 1941, and assigned to active duty

immediately.

Reference: (a) MGC's Cir. Let. No. 418 dated 30 Dec. 1940.
1. Effective on receipt of this letter the procedure for effecting the discharge of enlisted reservists for any reason other than (a) expiration of enlistment or extension thereof, or (b) Bad Conduct outlined in (1) and (2) of paragraph 3 of reference (a) is modified as to subject men as follows:

- (1) Examine the service record to determine the place where the man was accepted for enlistment. This is found on page one of the service record book.
- (2) Issue travel orders to such place.

2. Appropriate references to this circular letter will be made on all copies of reference (a).

A. A. VANDEGRIFT, Acting.

27 March, 1941.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 448

From: The Major General Commandant.
To: All Officers.

Subject: Change in Marine Corps Manual: Physical examination of Reservists

1. The following change in the Marine Corps Manual has been approved:
Article 13-101—delete the present subparagraph (4) (a), and substitute in its stead:

"(a) A Marine Corps Reserve officer is required to take a physical examination prior to or as soon as practicable after reporting for active or training duty, with or without pay, and to be found physically qualified to perform active duty appropriate to his rank and class. If not physically qualified, he shall be returned to an inactive status."

T. HOLCOMB.

2 April, 1941.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 449

From: The Major General Commandant.
To: All Officers.

Subject: Payment of death gratuity in cases of officers and enlisted men of the Marine Corps Reserve.

Reference: (a) Public Law 16, 77th Congress, approved 17 March, 1941.

the World War when a large number of men were inducted into the military service, a great many complaints are now being received from the traveling public as to the conduct of the men when traveling in comparatively small groups in regular train service. The men frequently are intoxicated for the entire trip. They molest women and children on trains and make themselves obnoxious generally. . . . Their actions are producing a very bad impression in the minds of the public of the discipline in the military branches . . . The railroads dislike to bring this matter so forcibly to your attention, but they have been faced with so many complaints and there has been so much damage to equipment, that it seemed to be our duty in protection of the interests of the military branches to have something done to correct the situation."

2. No particular instance of misconduct is mentioned.
3. Commanding officers will thoroughly instruct all marines relative to the proper deportment required of them when traveling on trains and other conveyances, with warning that those guilty of misconduct are subject to disciplinary action. This instruction in the case of a single traveler may be oral, but in the case of a man who is in charge of a party written instructions will be issued.

T. HOLCOMB.

18 March, 1941.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 442

From: The Major General Commandant.

To: All Officers.

Subject: Authority for commanding officer of any division, aircraft group, or battalion of the Fleet Marine Force, U. S. Marine Corps, to convene summary courts martial and deck courts.

1. The following letter from the Secretary of the Navy to the Major General Commandant is quoted for the information and guidance of all concerned:

"Office of the Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

Washington, D. C.

March 13, 1941.

From: The Secretary of the Navy.

To: The Major Commandant.

Subject: Authority to convene summary courts martial and deck courts.

Reference: (a) Letter of the Major General Commandant, 1400-7—over AB fm, dated March 4, 1941, to the Judge Advocate General of the Navy.

1. Pursuant to the authority vested in me by provisions of the U. S. Code, Title 34, Section 1200, Article 26, (Act of August 29, 1916, Chap. 417; 30 Stat. 596), the commanding officer of any division, aircraft group, or battalion of the Fleet Marine Force, U. S. Marine Corps, is hereby authorized to convene summary courts martial and deck courts for the trial of enlisted men in the naval service under his command.

FORRESTAL.

Acting"

T. HOLCOMB.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 437

From: The Major General Commandant,
To: All Officers,

Subject: Payment of commands, questions relating thereto.

1. Correspondence is frequently addressed to this Headquarters involving the method of payment to personnel. Matters of this nature, arising in shore based detachments should first be referred to the paymaster at the post or of the pay area in which the command or detachment is located.
2. Questions concerning method of payment should not be referred to this Headquarters unless adjustments cannot be made as indicated above.

T. HOLCOMB.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 439

From: The Major General Commandant,
To: All Officers,

Subject: Caution to be exercised in the use of AerVoid Vacuum food containers.

1. Foods and beverages must not be placed directly in the outer shell of AerVoid Vacuum Food Containers. The aluminum food pans, furnished with each container, or some other suitable insert must be used in all cases.
2. The outer container is cadmium plated inside and out. Cadmium plating will stand the abuse of field service much better than will tin plating, but it has the disadvantage that it dissolves in some foods and beverages in sufficient amounts to produce toxic effects. A report from the field states, "There have been two instances where lemonade has been placed into the outside container (Food Carrier) and resulted in a food poisoning typified by collapse, vomiting and intestinal cramping."
3. The manufacturer is making up small plates bearing the following caution:

CAUTION

Food must be placed in food pans.
Dangerous to put food in carrier without pans.

These plates will be furnished without requisition, two for each container. One should be soldered to the cover and one to the body of each container in a conspicuous place.

4. All Commanding Officers are directed to issue appropriate instructions to using personnel.

T. HOLCOMB.

12 March, 1941.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 440

From: The Major General Commandant,
To: All Officers,

Subject: Misconduct of soldiers, sailors and marines traveling on railroads.
1. This Headquarters has received a letter from Interterritorial Military Committee of Chicago, Illinois. This letter is quoted in part: "Just as during

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 443

From: The Major General Commandant,
To: All Officers,

Subject: Elimination of distinction between regular and reserve personnel.

1. The reserve designation of reserve officers and enlisted men on active duty will be eliminated in intra-post and intra-organization bulletins, rosters, and correspondence where the regular or reserve status of the individual is not involved.
2. The reserve designation of reserve officers and enlisted men will be maintained in payrolls, muster rolls, clothing accounts and in correspondence dealing with the official status of the individual.
3. This letter shall be effective from date of receipt. T. HOLCOMB.

19 March, 1941.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 444

From: The Major General Commandant,
To: All Officers,

Subject: Entry of home address and legal residence on forms DSS-166 and enlistment contract.

Reference: (a) MGC, cir. let. No. 382, 2 Oct. 1940.

(b) MGC, cir. let. No. 387, 16 Sept. 1940.

1. When forms DSS-166 is made out as directed in paragraph 3 of reference (a) the home address entered thereon must be the same as shown on the registration card if the individual concerned has registered under the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, regardless of any change of address between the time of registration and time of entry into the Marine Corps, in order that the proper Local Board may receive credit.
2. The "legal residence" entered on enlistment contracts, as directed in reference (b), will be the legal residence claimed by the applicant for enlistment at the time of application.

A. A. VANDERGRIFT, Acting.

20 March, 1941.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 445

From: The Major General Commandant,
To: All Officers.

Subject: Tables of Organization, Distribution of.

Reference: (a) Par. I, MGC cir. let. No. 386, 26 June, 1940.

Enclosure: (A) Distribution list of Tables of Organization.

1. The distribution of the Tables of Organization to individual officers has been discontinued. Attention is invited to reference (a).
2. Hereafter Tables of Organization will be distributed in accordance with the distribution list attached.

3. The Commanding Officers of all activities are directed to procure from

1. The Act of 17 March, 1941 amends the Act of 27 August, 1940, section 4, of which is quoted in Circular Letter No. 405, Paragraph 7, in that payment of death gratuity is extended to cases of officers and enlisted men of the Marine Corps Reserve who are ordered to active duty in excess of thirty days and who die of wounds or disease while so employed.

2. A beneficiary slip, Form NMC-302, shall be accomplished for each officer and enlisted man of the Marine Corps Reserve who reports for active or training duty, and for each officer and enlisted man now on active duty who has not previously executed a beneficiary slip.

T. HOLCOMB.

8 April, 1941.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 451

From: The Major General Commandant.
To: All Officers.

Subject: Application of marriage provisions of General Order No. 117 in cases of officers of Marine Corps Reserve appointed in regular Marine Corps under Naval Aviation Personnel Act of 1940.

Reference: (a) See, Nav. Irr. to All Ships and Stations, dated 27 Aug. 1940, Sec. Nav. file MB/P-14-2 (400827).

1. Paragraph 1(b) of General Order No. 117, provides that in case any officer commissioned in the Navy or Marine Corps, serving under a revocable commission, marries within two years of his original commission, such marriage will be considered cause for the revocation of his commission. Reference, that the marriage provision above referred to (a) has stated, in Reserve Officers appointed in the grade of captain and above in the regular Marine Corps under the Naval Aviation Personnel Act of 1940, and that in the cases of former Reserve officers appointed in the grades of first and second lieutenant in the regular Marine Corps under that Act the phrase "marriage within two years subsequent to original commission" shall be interpreted to mean two years from the date of entering upon active duty undergoing training as aviation cadets.

T. HOLCOMB.

11 April, 1941.

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 452

From: The Major General Commandant.
To: All Officers.

Subject: Fleet Marine Officer, United States Fleet.

1. A marine officer has been assigned as Fleet Marine Officer on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief, United States Fleet.

2. The flag allowance of the Commander-in-Chief, United States Fleet, U.S.S. Pennsylvania, has been increased by one lieutenant colonel.

T. HOLCOMB.

1. Circular Letters Nos. 418 and 447 are cancelled.

2. As shown in detail in Article 13-20, Marine Corps Manual, enlisted men of the Marine Corps Reserve comprise the following classes:

Fleet Marine Corps Reserve—

Class I (b) 16-year transferred men.

Class I (c) 20-year transferred men.

Class I (d) 20-year transferred men.

Class I (e) \$20-a-year men, assigned at end of regular enlistment, or enlisted in Reserve after 4 years' regular service.

Organized Marine Corps Reserve—

Class II (b) Members of organized units.

Volunteer Marine Corps Reserve—

Class III (b) Trained men not otherwise assigned.

Class III (c) Untrained men not otherwise assigned.

Class III (d) Men enlisted for training as platoon leaders or aviation cadets.

3. Transferred members of the Fleet Marine Corps Reserve, Class I (b, c, d), are ordinarily not discharged but are placed on the retired list when they acquire sufficient service or become physically disqualified prior thereto. If discharged, the discharges are at their own request and they are not entitled to travel allowance or to transportation in kind.

4. (a) Enlisted reservists discharged upon expiration of enlistment are entitled to the same travel allowances as members of the regular service go to active duty. (20 Comp. Gen. 1)

(b) In the case of members of the Organized Reserve who had less than 6 months to serve when placed on active duty, and who do not intend to re-enlist or extend their enlistments, the commanding officer will issue travel orders to the place of assignment to active duty.

5. Enlisted reservists discharged in order to accept appointment as an aviation cadet, warrant officer or commissioned officer are not entitled to travel pay or to transportation in kind.

6. In effecting the discharge of an enlisted reservist, for any reason, other than expiration of enlistment, to accept an appointment, or for reasons stated in paragraph 10 of these instructions, commanding officers will:

(a) Issue travel orders to the place where the man was assigned to active duty.

Exception: A Class III (e) reservist who was enlisted after 6 Feb. 1941 and immediately placed on active duty will be issued travel orders to the place where he was accepted for enlistment.

(b) Include in the orders directions that on arrival at destination the reservist is relieved of all active duty and will assume inactive status until receipt of discharge certificate.

(c) Make out and mail the discharge certificate to the reservist's forwarding address.

7. In ordering reservists to active duty several types of orders have been used, with variations as to the place where the men were assigned to active duty; from which place the reservists were initially entitled to transportation, as provided in preceding paragraph. These types of orders and the places to which assigned to active duty are:

(a) Orders to a unit of the Organized Reserve to move from its home station to a given destination. Place of assignment to active duty: home station of unit.

COMPANY H, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, has been going to town this last month and from the appearance of the newly joined men combined with the old timers it looks as though we are going to have a champ fighting outfit. Headed by 2nd Lieut. Angus M. Fraser and his personnel of junior officers is one of the big reasons why we should go somewhere in a big way.

To all the new privates joining us lately are best wishes from all for a successful cruise. To all the sea-going Leathernecks having joined us lately, who could be Pfc's. Cutter, Morton, Durrall and Pepin, best wishes for continued smooth sailing and not to forget that "topsides" is "upstairs" and the ports are windows. NCO members joining us are Sergeant Q. Daughtry, Corporals Day, Zahn, Smith, and Zakonowicz. Also joining us were Field Musics Adams, Griffen and Yates. We understand that much entertainment should be coming from these boys as they have their own cowboy band.

Reports from the last school of Machine Gunners can be considered a great success. Promotions have been few lately but more are anticipated so all you non-rated men get your nose to the grindstone and take advantage of them.

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, THIRD BATTALION, EIGHTH MARINES, although quite tired and very dusty after a full day of activity which involved moving from one cantonment to another by hiking over several hot, sweaty and weary miles of the open rolling hill country of San Diego County, California, is still able to come up smiling.

Moving an entire regiment of fighting Marines from one cantonment to another miles away in less than one day is, perhaps, a feat that most people would shake their heads in doubt about; but to move two full regiments by merely exchanging cantonments with each other, they would call impossible. Do the Marines shake their heads? Do they harbor any doubts? Certainly not! 'Tis just a day's work for them. The exchange has been done so expeditiously that for all anyone knows each regiment has occupied their present cantonment for some time.

All the foregoing lingo is merely designed to gently let our readers know that your favorite battalion of the "Fighting Eighth" is now at Camp Elliott. Don't forget that our mail box is still open and begging for business.

Since the new platoon sergeants' list has been published to the Marine Corps at large, a lot of busy clerks can begin to draw a few breaths at their leisure. No more flocks of sergeants hounding them to find out when the list would be out. The good news and the sad news has been published, gentlemen. Many of us have been fortunate; yes, lucky, indeed; others of you not so fortunate but your turn is coming. This battalion is proud to boast having twelve men tried and true on the platoon sergeants' list.

Our headquarters staff personnel has been augmented by the very able and amiable person of Major Hartnoll J. Withers who joins us after his tour of duty with the ships of the fleet. We welcome Major Withers into the "fold" of the Third Battalion heartily and trust, always hoping, that he will find his duties as Battalion Executive Officer to his liking. Major Withers is at present commanding the



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battalion during the absence of our much admired and respected commander, Lieutenant Colonel Donald G. Oglesby.

Captain Dixon Goen recently gave up his duties as Commanding Officer of Company K, this battalion, and reported to the headquarters staff personnel forthwith to assume command of the battalion during our Colonel's absence, but the arrival of Major Withers brought relief to our very able Captain and he is now attacking his duties as Battalion Operations and Training Officer with all the zeal and "finesse" we know he possesses.

We have a very nice lay-out here even if we do lack some of the more modern conveniences that the Base afforded. In time, we reckon, this Camp will rival the Base in popularity. The change into khaki during this hot weather, as well as just the change, will do us all good.

Much has happened since our last report on the operations of COMPANY I, 3rd Battalion, Eighth Marines, from San Diego, California.

First, we must congratulate a few of our men on adding another chevron on their arms, namely: Robert Wallace to Platoon Sergeant; Berry Phillips to Sergeant; Robert E. Munkirs and George Walker to Corporal; John A. Allred, Leo D. Camp, and Ned E. Crutcher to Private First Class.

Second, we wish to welcome some twenty-five new faces to our midst. We shall try to make our stay together as enjoyable and efficient as possible. Topping the list of newcomers is Platoon Sergeant John DeS. Blagden who comes from the Casual Company, Mare Island; Sergeant

Henry Brzezinski joined from Pearl Harbor, T. H. Corporals Edmond C. Clarke and Steve Nemits came from across the bay at the Naval Air Station, here in San Diego. Corporal Avon L. Pinegar comes from sea duty on the USS "Portland." Another sea soldier is Private First Class LeRoy Hook who came from the USS "Arizona." Pfc. William R. Porter comes from Tongue Point, Oregon. Adding to the above are last but not least some fifteen Privates who joined from Recruit Depot, San Diego, California—we hope to become proud members of the Fighting I, of Colonel Larsen's "Fighting Eighth."

Two new officers joined Company I since our last report. First Lieutenant George D. Rich comes from sea duty on board the USS "Oklahoma." Second Lieutenant Robert H. McCormick transferred from Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Eighth Marines. We welcome Lieutenant Rich as our new Company Commander and will back him up in all his commands.

During the past month many different members of this company have been taking part in various schools and field exercises. Three officers and twenty-eight enlisted men went on a Second Marine Division Field Exercise for a few days in the middle of July. Privates First Class Raymond C. Smedley and Harold W. Thompson are on temporary duty attending the Radio Operators' School at the Base. Privates Nonnie M. Chaffin and Richard R. Anderson have just completed a six weeks' strenuous training course with the "snipers" class. Platoon Sergeants Loren F. Hedderly and Robert Wallace are just back from their duty with the Western Platoon Leaders' Class. Sixteen

members of I Company have returned from two weeks of training with the Eighth Regiment Non-Commissioned Officers' School, 60 and 80-mm. Mortar, and Machine Gun School.

COMPANY K. 3rd Battalion, 8th Marines, is once more beginning to look like a real company. We were somewhat depleted due to the transfer of thirty men to the Sixth Marines, but are now building back to our original strength.

Since last month we have extended greetings to many new men. Called in from an inactive reserve status, Gunnery Sergeant James E. Hunt is once more hitting the ball, in Company K this time. Also Sgt. Willie Whitten from the Marine Barracks, Cavite, P. I.; Pl-Sgt. Herman Brittman from Recruit Depot Det.; Pfc. Hensley from the USS "Lexington"; Pfc. Lindquist from NAD, Hawthorn, Nevada; and the following Privates from the 2nd Recruit Battalion, Base: Pvts. Lester, La vin, Orr, Perez, Price, Rippon, Smith, Voorhees, Woleben, Barker, Boyd, Crawford, Hutchison, Key, Marshall, May, Odom, and Pvt. Peters.

Supporting new chevrons are Pfc. to Corp. Lewis A. Brown and Theodore Summers, Pvt. to Pfc. Leonard Wheeler and the Jones brothers, Paul B. and William R. K. Company's morning report reveals that 1st Sgt. Don E. Linn, Sgt. Bussa, Corp. Summers, and Pfcs. Sonna, Wheeler, Hensley and Coath have been enjoying furloughs this month. During the Top's absence Pl-Sgt. Stempa has been acting as 1st Sgt.

Back from detached duty are Corp. G. L. Greathouse, instructor with the Western Platoon Leaders' Class, Pfc. Konz from the Snipers' School, and the Second Rifle Platoon and Mortar Classes, also from El liott.

Captain Dixon Goen has been relieved as Company Commander of Company K by Lt. Charles D. Weiss, Jr., and is now acting as Bu-3, Plans and Training Officer, in our own battalion.

On the 19th of this month the whole Eighth Regiment is moving to Camp El liott and again we will be soldiers of the field.

Greetings once more from **COMPANY L**, Third Battalion, Eighth Marines.

Cigars! I have never had so many cigars in all my life. Some odd half dozen promotions within the company accounts for part of them. Stackurski, Roy S., to Mess Corporal; Cameron, Dougal H., to Sergeant; Visser, Cornelius, sprouting two chevrons, as is Hoffmann, Harold K. Three new Pfcs. include Johnson, Howard W., Jamison, Thomas V., and Bigbie, Barney D. Then, too, Platoon Sergeant Taylor P. Mason shipped over; that called for cigars and more of the same from Corporal Walter J. Zience. To top it off, our new skipper, 1st Lieutenant Alben C. Robertson, USMC, became a proud papa of a 7½ pound boy. If the continuity of this bit of prattle is a trifle distorted, blame it on the cheroots.

Second Lieutenant Joseph Schmedding, our skipper for the past two months, became air minded. With orders in his hand to report to Pensacola to try his wings he virtually soared off. Oh yes, he came to earth in Yuma and got married.

We are no longer "at home" at the Marine Corps Base. However, we are "re-

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ceiving" at the beautiful new barracks at Camp Elliott. We strolled out to our new abode on a blistering summer day. Needless to say it was enjoyed by all, the walk, I mean.

This is COMPANY M, Third Battalion, Eighth Marines, reporting for the last time this year from the Marine Corps Base at San Diego.

The company moves to Camp Elliott this month, and probably will not see the Marine Corps Base for some time. During August the men were separated in many different ways. Half were at Camp Elliott in Machine Gun, Rifle Platoon, and 81-mm. Mortar Classes; some at Radio Operators' and Telephone School, and the remainder of us in the barracks at the Base.

The strength of the company has greatly increased this month. We obtained non-commissioned officers from China, Guam, and aboard ships; and 40 privates from the recruit depot. Which all means that we are building up, and at the present rate will soon be at full strength.

Sergeant Hoyle reenlisted and is celebrating in San Francisco on a thirty-day reenlistment furlough. "The great lover" Rousseau was presented Sergeant's stripes upon his return from furlough. Frank Goswick is already a salty corporal, and likewise are three Privates First Class, King, Nance, and Youmans, former Privates. Underwood returned to the galley as an Assistant Cook after two months in the office.

Corporal Goswick mustered a mighty baseball team to decisively down two opponents in one day. Company I and the Base Boat House Crew were the victims.

First Lieutenant Bennett joined from Cavite as our new skipper, and in a short time has become well liked by everyone. First Lieutenant York, formerly of the Eighth Marines, has returned from inactive duty, and was welcomed by his old friends.

It's HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE BATTERY, TENTH MARINES, reporting again. The fighting mighty Tenth once more made the headlines. Being the caretaker of the Regimental Mascot is really an honor for this battery. The honor is the contribution of a small piece of silver on pay-day to take care of one "Private Duke's" personal needs such as flea powder and dog biscuits; of course when the local San Diego newspaper carried a big spread about "Duke" being lost from its eleven year old owner, there were a few red faces in the battery. But now it's all straight and clear and we still have "Duke."

Furloughs have been in order for quite some time now and practically every man has had his fifteen days at home. Our battery school has been going along nicely and soon we expect few soldiers to emerge from our "Special Duty" men.

Our communication section came through with a few promotions last week: Pfc. Slagill to Corporal and Pvts. Bell, Goffos, Fritz, and Talbot to Pfc. Joining the communication ranks last week were Sgt. Anton F. Welch and Corporal Morgan N. Davidson. Master Technical Sergeant Marcus J. Couts, communication chief, after a recent visit to the races at Del Mar, is an authority upon the handicapping and racing of all equines.

Privates Finn and Thomas of the pay office were promoted to Pfc., and our Prop-

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erty Sergeant Andrew Young made the Platoon Sergeants' List.

Our Regimental Commanding Officer, Colonel Thomas S. Bourke, is in the state of Washington observing maneuvers of the 4th Army.

Pfc. Lonnie E. Howard, Jr., and Pfc. David Seibel were members of the Second Marine Division Golf Team and participated in the 11th Naval District Golf Tournament.

Master Gunnery Sergeant Eddie Bell, the man with all the jobs, has a good one now. For the past three weeks Eddie has been schooling about one hundred and fifty "goobs" in the nomenclature and firing of the .50 caliber machine gun.

During the past month Captain Jorge Cajiao of the Columbian Marine Corps has been a guest of the 10th Marines. All hands have endeavored to make the Captain's visit enjoyable.

"Conch" Ethalmore R. Cox, the regimental QM-Sergeant has had a field day the past month observing the Washington "Redskins" professional football team who are in San Diego training prior to the opening of the professional season. Seems as if QM-Sgt. Cox, an alumnus of the "Lone Star" state, discovered several Texans on the squad, so recently the old boy has been singing their praises to all who will listen. Did any of our readers ever hear of "Sammy Baugh?"

Hi, fellows! Here we are again. Things have been running along fine in **HEADQUARTERS & SERVICE BATTERY, 1ST BATTALION, TENTH MARINES**, during the past month. The highlight of our training schedule was a four-day maneuver in the foothills of the Cuyamaca mountains right near the reservation of the Degueño Indians. The place was called Mesa Grande, Calif., and is about eighty-five miles east and north of San Diego. It so happened that the local tribe was throwing their annual shindig or fiesta while we were bivouacked there. We arrived on a Saturday around noon and were given liberty as soon as we got out "sacks" and gear unloaded and squared away. It wasn't long before the Marines began to drift over to the fiesta and by nightfall the Marines had, as usual, taken over completely and the Indians could not get within a hundred feet of their own fiesta. The fellows took part in such events as sack

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On the following day Pfc. Bill Butts slipped from a rock, rolled down a hill, and sustained a compound fracture of the arm just below the elbow. He was rushed to the Base Hospital after being treated at the Aid Station and his condition was reported as being O.K. To add to our discomfort on that day, right after breakfast it started to rain and before we could get our shelter halves up it was pouring. Most of the men broke out ponchos and just hugged a tree. And, mind you, it had not rained in five months prior to our maneuver.

Now for a few brief items regarding individuals of the battery. Capt. B. H. Kirk is ill at the Naval Hospital. We all wish you a hasty recovery, Capt. Kirk. Capt. E. L. Lyman joined our battery from the MD, USS "Philadelphia," at Bermuda. We all hope you will enjoy your tour of duty with us, Capt. Lyman. Major W. S. Van Dyke, II, has been relieved from active duty and is now back in the Cinema Center (Hollywood to you guys) directing film flickers. Sgt. Robert R. Spoon joined us from the NAS, Corpus Christi, Texas, and lost no time in gaining for himself the reputation of being a good CP Sergeant. Corporal Pat H. Kilroy joined us from the MD, Tientsin, China, and has taken over the duties of Battery Property Sergeant. There were two specialist promotions to sergeant in the battery last month. One to Corp. (CP) Lant Horton, Jr., and the other to Corp. (QM) Walter B. Mikolajczyk (for heaven's sake, Mike, why don't you survey that name?). Joseph P. Mulqueen was promoted from Fld. Ck. to Chief Ck.

We of **BATTERY A**, 1st Battalion, Tenth Marines, have returned from two "wars." With no casualties except a few light cases of poison oak. First there was the Division problem of three days; then we were attached to the Second Marines for four days of their maneuvers. Sleeping "under the stars," security watches, camouflage discipline and cold water shaving (when we shaved) were all part of the life. We experienced one day of "California mist" and the innovations of shelters the men provided for themselves were a sight to behold.

Second Lieutenant W. B. Oldfield has joined us from the USS "Chicago." Welcome to the Battery, Mr. Oldfield.

We have received an addition to our CP force in the person of Corporal Robert Quinlan. Corporal Minnick has returned from duty at the Western Platoon Leaders' Class of 1941. We also welcome this month several new men: Vernon Baber, Daniel Cieliesz, Paul Davidson, John Einarson, Russell Wolf, Grady Brown, Arlie Scott, Jr., Marvin Lunbeck, William Webb, Roy Preston, Noah Martin, Floyd Blair, Eugene Ezell, Lawrence Madsen, John McNichols, Oren Moore, Jr., and William Overman.

Top Sergeant Krieger has reenlisted for another cruise. At present the Top is enjoying his shipping-over furlough.

We regret the loss of Corporal Harrold Norrup to the Range Guard and Corporal Bill R. Williams to the P X. Good luck, in your new assignments, men. Pfc. Van Horn is attending Radio School at the Base.

We are happy to record the following promotions during the past month: Corporal L. E. Holloway to Sergeant and See-

tion Chief of the third section, exchanging places with Corporal Day, who became Police Sergeant; Pfc. Blank, Mills and John Williams to Corporal; Assistant Cooks Dunean and Warnisher to Field Cook and Private Wilson to Assistant Cook. Privates Cornelius, Gilbert, Gillett and Parker to Pfc.

BATTERY B, 1st Battalion, Tenth Marines, is proving to be the best firing battery in the 10th Marines.

The Western Platoon Leaders' Class of 1941 were to witness 75-mm. firing and one battery in the 10th Marines was to give the demonstration. First, which battery has shown the best results in its service practice; secondly, who was the officer who could put his battery through the paces for these future 2d lieutenants? Well, this concoction was stirred and shook well and B Battery was given the task to show its prowess. There undoubtedly will be plenty of competition on the field from the other batteries, but we have the situation well in hand. The real reason for all this success lies in our splendid officers, namely: 1st Lt. Stewart, our battery commander; 2d Lt. Wenban and 2d Lt. Pace. 2d Lt. Boyer has been detached to H&S, First Battalion, Tenth Marines.

Two good field maneuvers under actual conditions found in the field were scratched off for the month of August. The first one was with the entire Second Marine Division near Black Mt. A night occupation under the cover of complete darkness without the benefit of lights of any kind, moved us into an area and dawn found us in a valley, an ideal location. How we could have been so well situated in the inky blackness is still beyond my comprehension. Our second maneuver in the field was at Mesa Grande, California, and proved a paradise compared to the first one. The second day out which was Sunday the boys began to really "dig in" when the rains came and lasted the better part of the day. Liberty was granted to attend an Indian Festival which was down the road about three miles. Two night problems were successfully worked and the enemy was in rout when we opened up on them. Coming back we went through Cleaveland Forest over a road that had barely enough room for one truck to pass. We were faced with the realization of death almost 2,000 feet below if the trucks had gone over the ledge in darkness. But it didn't happen and we were more than thankful. When we finally emerged onto the highway, sighs of relief were echoing all through the convoy.

Furloughs are still being given to the men who have the money and are anxious to see home once again. Two-thirds of the battery has been on furlough and the spirit of the men is a bit higher since seeing "Sweet Marie."

Pfc. George W. Frenzel and Corp. Floyd D. O'Conner tied the knot with their best girls and they know they will be waiting for them. Best wishes to both of them.

Battery promotional exams were given and the results were most promising on most of them. Pfc. Herbert C. Katschowski held high honors with the highest score.

A few promotions have taken place and we now find that Sgt. James E. McCleaf (from Mare Island, Casual Co.) is Platoon Sgt., Corporals Wernicke and Green and Assistant Cooks Eubanks, Cable and Sullivan were happy to accept their new du-

ties. Private First Class Duehring, one of our best C.P.'s, has assumed his role as Pfc. with a hearty smile.

Here is the latest dope from good ole BATTERY C, 1st Battalion, 10th Marines. There has been plenty of activity in this Battery since the last time we met, with the whole battery in a whirlwind of excitement, but the most enjoyable of all was the promotions.

We have three men who probably will miss their rifles because of their promotion to Platoon Sergeant. They are Sergeants O'Mara, Stewart, and Zehring. Corporals Essko and Tucker are supporting that extra stripe and we hear that it is pretty nice to eat in the NCO's mess. Promoted to Corporal we had Pfs. Honn, Goehler, Sparks, Joubert, and Whitley. To Field Cook we had ACKs. Roth, Wilson, and Whalen. The new one stripers are Banskik, Carbonette, Dougherty, Colvin and Davis.

We had the most enjoyable week-end in the rain and mud while on maneuvers at La Mesa Grande.

Next to a few cases of poison oak the battery as a whole on maneuvers came through with flying colors. There is a new fad in this battery, G. I. haircuts. The reason is that Pvt. Dean is now scalping in the barber shop.

The latest additions from Recruit Depot were Pts. Ross and Bulpo.

We regret to announce the loss of a very capable member, Corp. Sparks, who left us to be a drill instructor.

This introduces HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE BATTERY, THIRD BATTALION, TENTH MARINES, which at present is still stationed at dusty Camp Elliott.

Our organization is still progressing rapidly, and we are sure that we will advance to our final goal,—perfection.

Some of the recent promotions include corporal chevrons to R. R. Dodson and V. H. Holtgrave, both special duty clerks. New first strips went to J. W. Lund, W. R. Pamplin, R. C. Mitchell, D. E. Doeren, and among our communication personnel we now have W. Chrapla and D. A. Criscola. Rerated specialist, and is he happy, is Pvt. A. C. (3rd class) Solomon.

Our Sergeant Major C. C. Paquette is now on a well deserved furlough, pinch hitting is First Sergeant A. W. Kessler, taking the job well in hand. Our section leaders are PIsGts. R. M. Alderson, C. C. Russo, and M. V. Reynolds, our communication chief still at his best is StfSgt. C. E. Bogert. New arrivals are First Sergeant Garris and TechSgt. C. Williams. We were sorry to lose Sgt. C. J. Angers to his new duty with the post office, we wish him success, and perhaps we will now get some mail.

Furloughs this month are going out to L. F. Dixon, R. E. and V. S. Molstad, S. D. Stevenson, D. C. Elder, D. E. Couch, and R. R. Pratt.

Open day for the Marines at Del Mar Race Track proved a huge success, and all are reported to have had a good time, on behalf of the Marine Corps, I would like to thank the people responsible, who gave us such a good time.

BATTERY G, 3rd Battalion, 10th Marines, now sounding off. This scribe just returned from a furlough and found things a bit changed. Top Lail has been transferred to Hawthorne, Nevada, to everyone's regret. We'll sure miss him. We joined 1st Sgt. Garris from the 2d Marines in his place. Johnson, Bartling, De Caro.

and Doughty made Corporal. Uthoff, Teske, Phinney and Brown made Pfc. Draper made ACK. and Long, Field Cook. Congratulations youse guys. We sent Pfc. Proch to the Quantico Ordnance school. Good luck to "Greek" Ferro whose enlistment expired. Sgt. Patch wanted a rest after that duty with the Platoon leaders' class so he went out and broke his leg. Best regards Sergeant. About a dozen more went on furlough. Things are changing around the Camp too. A swimming pool is under construction, and the 8th Marines have moved out from the base.

I want to mention, too, that our Camp went on a four day field maneuver which was a new experience for most of us. It was a combination of hiking, truck driving, and RSOP's. We ate slept and lived under camouflage conditions. It was a kind of rough way of living but I think everyone had a good time. The only casualty was Pfc. Phinney who sat on a cactus plant.

One month ago we fellows of BATTERY H, Third Battalion, Tenth Marines, had contented ourselves to settle down to work with the feeling that Uncle Sam knows best about our furloughs for this summer. Now that picture has all been changed for most of the fellows have been on fifteen day furloughs and seem to have enjoyed it. For the benefit of men recently transferred to other outposts from "H" Battery, I will mention a few of their names: GySgt. Jones, Sgt. Skocdopole, Corps. Guzman, Mitchell, Valenzano, Johnson, and Hefele (Corp. Hefele was called home to see his father who was ill), Pfs. and Pts. Rhyne, Freels, Long, Thomas, Worley, Graham, Tremer, Schiller, Pyeatt, Cooper, Spriggs James and many others.

We are glad to see Sgt. Luttge, Corps. Searle, Roette, and Coppock, Pfs. Cornwall and Herbert, wearing new chevrons as indicated.

Corporal Guzman has left us to "buck" for another stripe as drill instructor at Recruit Depot. Pfc. Miller was transferred to Quantico to attend Maintenance school and Sgt. M. T. Tscherter formerly of 2-D-10, has joined us from Mare Island. The Platoon Leaders' Class is over and we have Corp. Schmidt and Lt. Brown, back with us. Lt. Bayer has left us to join the 8th Marines. His position as "Battery Exec" has been filled by Lt. Schraeder.

Well, we have tried to give you the more interesting "Dope" this time and feel that a few buddies will be pleased reading about their former bunkies from "H." Your reporter signs off now until next time when he will be back on the job spilling some more dope about Old Btry. "H."

BATTERY I, 3rd Battalion, 10th Marines, welcomes Sergeants Smith and Pavelko who were recently transferred here. Sergeant Pavelko was recently promoted to Platoon Sergeant and seems to be getting along fine, but Sergeant Smith is looking for a man with a good pair of hiking legs to trade for his "Sea legs."

Corporals Nanney, Sass, Spiller and Armes are very proud and hard to get along with over their recent promotions. Sergeant's warrants were recently issued to Corporals Oldham and Parker. Sergeant Parker has been transferred to Recruit Depot to wear out his bunions on the Parade Ground and Private First Class William C. Jackson has left us to do duty with the Aviators.

Sergeant Oldham and Corporal Spear were confined in the hospital as a result of accidents as they were driving back from furlough. Corporal Spear is back with us.

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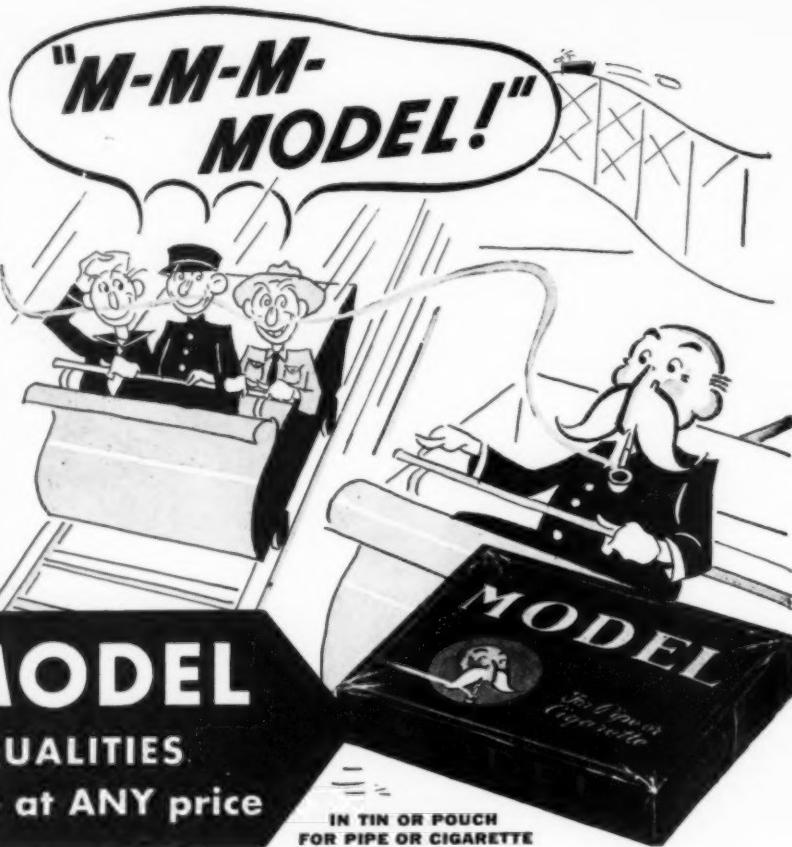
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Our own Fighting Jack Romero has just returned from the Eighth Marines where he spent the past six weeks in intensive training. Jack has just turned Professional, and we wish him luck in his career.

With the latest information from **BATTERY K**, 3rd Battalion, 10th Marines, we find many stripes and cigars have filled the air since our last representation. Those filling the sergeant's shoes are: C. H. Crain and W. K. McCart. Elevated to Corporal were: W. E. Boyles, J. A. Blanchard, B. M. Rockwell, and R. A. Stelter. Those to get that much coveted one stripe were: A. S. Farago, E. E. Pitts, E. J. Thrun, and E. E. Widau. M. W. Linton, a member of the communication section, was promoted to corporal.

Back on the job again after acting as Sergeant Major for several weeks is First Sergeant Joe A. English, and I can tell you that we were all more than anxious to have him back.

Also returning after an eight week period of detached duty with the Western Platoon Leaders' Class are: PfcSgt. G. S. Atcheson and Corp. V. W. Rife. Both received a hearty welcome from all hands. Atcheson obtained a furlough and is visiting with his Ma in "Beautiful Riverside."

Our able Gunnery Sergeant Otto B. Wells has certainly been stepping on our heels in an attempt to keep the barracks room as spotless as possible. There have been a lot of growls and groans about everything being just so but everyone is

inwardly proud of the excellent appearance that has now been obtained.

A small group have returned from furlough looking none the worse after the trip. Another group will be leaving in a few days including "ye scribe" so until I return to write again I'll end this with a usual period.

As a prelude to what undoubtedly will be one of the finest issues of any Bi-Monthly editions of a newscast, we of **HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE BATTERY, 4TH BATTALION, 10TH MARINES**, want to take this opportunity to salute the first edition of the "**BEACH-HEAD**" to say that it is a mighty fine paper, and that every Marine should read it.

We "welcome" our most recent joinings, namely: Captain John H. Stillman, who comes to us from Marine Barracks, Navy Yard, Cavite, P. L., and Major Wilbert S. Brown, who served on the USS "Pennsylvania" at Honolulu, T. H.; MGySgt. Robert Stutz, from HQ, 3Bn, 2nd Marines; SfSgt. Frank Grill, from Casual Co., MB, NYd, Mare Island, Calif. We have been swamped with some new "CP's," too many to name, but there are 12, an even dozen, and not a bad "egg" in the dozen either. Incidentally, we had lots of promotions this last month too, with one Sgt. and three Pfc's in the "CP"; one line Corp., two Pfc's, and one Asst. Cook. In the "Aid-Station" we had one PhM2c, four PhM3c, and two HALE. Well, I hope I haven't missed anyone.

No Hollywood "Talkie" Premier could

have been more exciting than was the initial performance of Sgt. Howard L. Hise and Pfc. Harold E. Boggs when they marched down the aisle Saturday, August 23, as ushers at the wedding of Corporal Robert D. Houlihan, who before many of his fellow comrades took the holy vows of matrimony. It was a grand affair, and from all concerned the "Knot" was really tied. "Congratulations Bob," and many happy returns of the day.

At this writing we are aware of several of our boys who are trying to enter the aviation service, as well as the parachute troops, so to them we wish all the luck in the world.

Another month has gone by and **BATTERY L**, Fourth Battalion, Tenth Marines, is still at Camp Elliott.

Quite a number of the boys have been passing along the "smokes" due to a number of promotions passed out during the current month—Platoon Sergeant Albert H. Wunderly promoted to Gunnery Sergeant, Sergeant William H. Matkin to Platoon Sergeant, Private First Class Marvin C. Wagoner to Corporal and Privates Joel T. Ashley, Edwin H. Briscoe, Lawrence F. Kadoun, Mitchel A. Rutkowski to Private First Class.

All hands report a swell time at the races held at Del Mar Race Track, which is owned and operated by the well known radio and screen star, Bing Crosby, and if the "scuttlebutt" information can be relied on, had truck transportation NOT been furnished, several would have walked back due to lack of funds.

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For a period of thirteen days the **USS AUGUSTA** had as its guest our Commander-in-Chief, the President of the United States, along with a staff of many other notables, cabinet members and high ranking officers of the Army and Navy. During this time three men of the Marine Detachment were assigned to duty as orderlies to the President: 1st Sergeant Jack G. Williams, Gunnery Sergeant John L. Neel and Platoon Sergeant Glenn LeR. Kemp, all of whom were congratulated on their attentiveness to duty by the Naval Aide, Captain Beardall. When the President went fishing two armed Marines accompanied him to see that the situation would be kept well in hand, that the elusive fish were properly instructed.

Among the members of the Prime Minister's party who arrived on the H.M.S. "Prince of Wales" were: Sir Alexander Cadogan, Permanent Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs; Lord Cherwell, Personal Assistant to the Prime Minister; Mr. J. M. Martin, Principal Private Secretary to the Prime Minister; Commander C. R. Thompson, Personal Assistant to the Prime Minister; Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound, Captain B. B. Schofield, Director of Trade Division of the Admiralty; Commander M. G. Goodenough, Plans Division of the Admiralty; Paymaster-Captain R. V. Brockman, Secretary to the First Lord; Captain R. P. Pim, Royal Navy; Lieutenant Commander H. W. McMullen, Royal Navy; General Sir John G. Dill, Chief of the Imperial General Staff and Staff; Air Chief Marshal Sir Wilfrid Freeman and Staff, Minister of Defense and Lord Beaverbrook. This Anglo-Saxon "Brenner Pass" meeting was perhaps one of the greatest events in the history of the world and the Marines of the U.S.S. "Augusta" are proud to have served the foremost men of the American - British governments during their stay on this vessel. The last day

of the series of conferences between the two government heads, President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Winston Churchill, when Mr. Churchill was taking his departure from the "Augusta" and after the President had bid him farewell and Bon Voyage, the Prime Minister turned from the President and flanked by his aides approached the Marine Detachment who were aligned on the quarterdeck preparatory to rendering honors to him and inspected the guard. His inspection consisted of passing from left to right in the immediate front of the front rank and looking straight into the eyes of each man. Upon the completion of his cursory inspection he turned and smiled at the Detachment Commander, First Lieutenant Edwin L. Hamilton, nodded a greeting and made his way to the gangway. This was a moment that few of the "Augusta" Marines will ever forget. We rightfully claim the honor of being the first detachment of Marines to receive the inspection of the Prime Minister Winston Churchill, of Great Britain, with the President of the United States, Chief of Staff of the Army, Chief of Naval Operations and Commander in Chief of the Atlantic Fleet looking on.

During the conference period between the heads of two of the world's greatest democracies, the "Augusta's" crew was host to many members of the crew of the H.M.S. "Prince of Wales." Many of the British visitors were Royal Marines, who received a warm welcome from our own Marines. There was great activity in the swapping of souvenirs, yarns, lies and food, likewise cigarettes. All of the H.M.S. "Prince of Wales'" crew were high in their praise of our President, not alone for what he is doing for England but what he did for them as individuals. Almost immediately upon the arrival of the British ship, the President learned of their deficiencies in diet and sent over a thousand boxes containing fruit, cheese, cigarettes and many other items conducive to their comfort, to their ship and defrayed the cost from his own pocket. Upon the departure of the "Prince of Wales" she was adequately stocked with fresh and dry provisions from our own store of supplies, much to the delight of all hands of that vessel, who subsisted on nothing but boiled cabbage, potatoes and fish on their voyage out. The provisioning was also done at the expense of the President.

The "Augusta" has been blessed with its share of celebrities; on our recent trip to Bermuda Secretary of the Treasury Mr. Henry Morganthau was the guest of Admiral King.

Shortly after June 2d Captain Forrest C. Thompson, our commanding officer, and First Lieutenant Orin C. Bjornsrud were relieved by First Lieutenant Edwin L. Hamilton as commanding officer, and Second Lieutenant Walter Holomon as detachment officer. As the old saying goes, "one man's loss is another's gain," this particularly applies in this change of commissioned personnel of the detachment. We are proud to have as our commanding officer Lieutenant Hamilton, not alone for the fact that he is one of the nation's most outstanding rifle and pistol shots, but an excellent officer



The Candidates Class at the Basic School, Phila., can field an excellent eleven with, left to right, H. C. Dale, H. S. Hawkins, W. A. Fugate, R. E. Apolskis, D. V. Carter, C. S. Rockmore and W. N. Harrison. Backfield: C. W. Johnston, C. K. McClelland, H. G. Vandereb, F. G. Pride.

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who has the interests of his men at heart, taking a personal interest in all their individual troubles. The same applies to Lieutenant Holomon, who though young in the service is an outstanding officer, and we of the "Augusta's" Marines, consider ourselves extremely fortunate in the Major General Commandant's selection of officers for us.

The day of days arrived and some of our leading "Yardbirds" were promoted to Senior and Junior "Yardbirds" as their proven potentialities warranted. When the smoke of their examinations cleared and sounds of weeping, wailing and gnashing of teeth was finally drowned out by the ship's engines, we noted quite a few sore arms in the detachment from the newly acquired extra duty of carrying stripes; among the more noticeable ones were: Private First Class James H. Brannon, from a nasty ole private and Corporals John Ohley Casdorph, James R. Johnson from privates first class. Other privates promoted to privates first class were: Charles Dickinson, James Essary and Amos J. Kendrick. Congratulations.

Among our transfers to other points in the Marine Corps were Corporal Harry F. Brandt to Hingham, Mass.; Private Glen fird R. Avery to 1st Marine Aircraft Wing; Corporal Arthur I. Rice to San Diego, Calif., good luck fellers in your new stations and may your duties be pleasant.

The MARINE DETACHMENT, USS COLORADO, has been going through the change which always takes place when a ship enters the yards for an overhaul period. Everyone has stuffed his ears with cotton

and is carrying on as well as could be expected. Paint chips are flying everywhere, and the police sergeant is the dominating character urging every one to bear a hand.

The weather is quite a change from the Honolulu tropical atmosphere we just left, such a change in fact that it is hard to get used to. But the thoughts of leave seem to overshadow the weather.

We lost several of our shipmates just recently, namely, Gunnery Sgt. Mirick, Corps. Carlisle and McDougal, and Pfc. Ridenour. We are glad to have seen service with these men and we all hated to see them leave.

We have a new gunnery sergeant aboard to take the place of the one who just left. McLin is his name and a very commendable person he is too from what we have heard. Gunny has just completed eight years of duty behind the rear sight leaf at the rifle range in San Diego and in other ranges too. This is his first tour of sea duty in sixteen years of service and he has taken to the ship like a duck takes to water.

The "Colorado" has had two ship dances at Craven center to date and having had the time of their lives everyone is looking forward to more of those interesting affairs.

With several members of the detachment on leave and something like sixteen more temporarily detached, we have been standing watches rather steadily, but we won't be thinking about that when our own leave periods arrive.

Of course, I can't prove it, but your correspondent supposes that someone must have contributed to the advancement of propaganda from the MARINE DETACHMENT, USS "ARIZONA," some time in

the past . . . anyway, here goes an attempt to break into print after a long silence.

As usual, we have the situation well in hand—and our water buckets. That little joke of the old salts about brushing the teeth, shaving, bathing, washing clothing, and scrubbing down the compartment with a half-bucket of water is fast becoming a reality. . . .

Promotions have been flying like locusts at harvest time. Since July, 1940, there have been a total of eighty-one (81) prospective cigar distributors—some didn't, some did. About the only deserving person that hasn't adorned an extra stripe is 1st Sergeant John Duveenee. . . .

Our Commanding Officer, Major Alan Sharpey, is also sporting a new set of insignias. . . .

Judging from the pile of mail that some of the fellows have been receiving—an absence makes the heart grow fonder—or writing to oneself has become popular again . . . any scuttlebutt about a return to the States in the near future is welcomed with open ears.

We note with pride that about sixty percent of the Detachment are enrolled in and are active students of the M. C. I. . . . Or chids to Pfc. Edward J. Graham, who after receiving a diploma for Diesel Engines, immediately plunged into Gas Engines.

Enough throwing roses at ourselves . . . for after all, in looking out the port, Pearl Harbor is still very much in evidence. . . . With this we sign off till next time—that is, if the editor survives.

It's been a long time since the MARINE DETACHMENT, USS "TENNESSEE," has been represented, but this time we are here to stay, so all you old timers "stand by" your mags and we'll give you the "straight dope."

First of all we welcome our new Commanding Officer, Captain C. S. White, who recently joined us from the Marine Corps Base in San Diego. We sincerely hope he will have an enjoyable cruise with us.

Our guard has had a complete turnover in the last few months, losing many of the "old timers" who completed their tour of sea duty and getting many new faces from the Recruit Depot in San Diego, Calif. Among the men who left the ship on completing their sea duty was First Sergeant A. W. Butler; to take his place we have First Sergeant R. M. Emmons, who joined us from the second Marines.

Right now we are enjoying a vacation in the states after spending some time in Hawaiian waters, and we don't have to tell you how much we hate to leave the good old U. S.

Stripes have really been flying high around here the last few weeks, and lots of fellows are sporting new rates. Congratulations to M. W. Kennedy, W. Holland and G. L. Ferguson, who recently were promoted to the rank of Sergeant. A "nice going" to the below named men who were promoted to Corporal as also in order.

Robert G. Hewitt, Chester R. Okonski, Leonard W. Sines, Jacob H. Latimer, Casper P. Hare, David Bettencourt, Frederick E. Franks, Roman R. Koupal.

And to all of the new Privates first class we say "nice going," we wish you all the luck in the world in securing more in the future.

The MARINE DETACHMENT, USS "WICHITA," has finally broken down and for the benefit of all other Marines far and wide, will try to furnish something of interest in the way of travel.

May we say it again, "The Land of the Midnight Sun," and may we get a chance again to pay our respects to this land of picturesque scenery—just a little south of the Arctic Circle. Most people have only a vague idea of what Iceland consists. However, as we have witnessed, it offers us a pleasant picture—bare mountains, waterfalls, natural waterways, and although there are no trees whatsoever, the plant life is interesting. And, though we found no means of enjoying ourselves as we are accustomed, it is very interesting to make a study of the ways and means of living of our neighbors, the Icelandic people. Many of our buddy Leathernecks indulged in a bit of mountain climbing, which proved to be quite exercising. Many of them made friends with British soldiers, who have been in occupation of this island for quite some time.

The kingdom of Iceland comprises an area of over 40,000 square miles, slightly

less than that of Pennsylvania. The population is about 120,000, of which one third is resident of Reykjavik. Reykjavik is built on two hills, facing west towards the open sea. It is the capital and seat of government, principal seaport and center of trade and commerce of the country, as well as the cultural center. The climate is oceanic, and rigorous. Abrupt changes of temperature are usual. The annual mean temperature of Reykjavik is about 39° F. July is the warmest and January the coldest. The country is essentially mountainous, with a profusion of glaciers, waterfalls, lakes, volcanoes, and hot springs. Much of Iceland is uninhabited. There are many rivers, mostly glacial, but none are navigable; all are swift, and contain many impressive waterfalls. Lava formations cover much of the land surface, often stretching for miles. Looking from the ship one is inclined to believe he is looking at Grand Canyon.

The Icelanders are Scandinavians; their nearest relations are the Faroese and the Norwegians. Industry in Iceland is in its infancy. During the past few years several factories have been established, most

of them deriving their raw materials from domestic sources.

This Detachment, which is practically entirely new, is now commanded by First Lieutenant Jack L. Stonebanks, who relieved Captain James P. Berkeley, and Second Lieutenant Francis P. Daly is junior detachment officer.

There have been many promotions and changes in the last four or five months, namely: Promotions: To Sgt.: Holliday; to Cpl.: Andrews, LaMotte, Litchfield, Turner; to Pfc.: Casey, Combs, Fajerski, Gumienny, Hladish, Hunter, Kinne, Kruckar, Lindley, Mach, Rumpilla, Sandler; Fmlel.: Strickland. Changes in personnel: First Sergeant Henry B. Poe has taken over and the situation is well in hand; we also have Gunnery Sergeant John W. Watkins, one of the best drill instructors ever to leave Parris Island; and Charles A. Dettenbach, who is a very capable Marine. Along with these men came a large group from Sea School, all of which have a very high caliber of spirit, and are anxiously awaiting the voyages of the USS "Wichita."

General Officers Promoted

President Roosevelt has approved the promotion of Brig. Gens. Philip H. Torrey, of Washington, and Ross E. Rowell, of Coronado, Calif., now stationed in Washington, to the rank of major general.

Promotion was recommended by a Marine Corps selections board which met August 18.



Brig-Gen. Philip H. Torrey

Gen. Torrey's usual residence is Washington although he is at present in command of the First Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force, at Quantico, Va.

He was appointed a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps July 18, 1905, from civil life, and was promoted to brigadier general August 21, 1939.

He served on foreign duty in Cuba and Haiti and in 1918 went overseas to obtain information on training and equipment of troops in the war zone. On his return, he was assigned as officer in charge of the Overseas Depot at Quantico.

Subsequently he served at sea and at various posts in the United States. His commands included the Marine Barracks at Annapolis; the Sixth Marines, Fleet Marine Force and the Eastern Recruiting Division, Philadelphia. From August, 1939, to last January, he served as commandant of the Marine Corps Schools at Quantico.

Gen. Rowell, now on duty in the office of Naval Intelligence here, is known as the man who led the first dive bombing attack in the history of naval warfare. For leading his "Ace of Spades" squadron of five old De Havilland biplanes in a diving attack that saved a Marine garrison at Ocotillo, Nicaragua, from almost certain annihilation in 1927, he won the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Distinguished Service Medal and a special letter of commendation from the Secretary of the Navy.

Gen. Rowell was appointed a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps August 27, 1906. He has seen foreign duty in Cuba,

the Philippines, Nicaragua, Haiti and France and only recently returned from a tour of duty as observer in Asia, Europe and Africa.

He has been in aviation continuously since 1923. From 1935 to 1939 he was director of Marine Corps Aviation, with headquarters here.



Brig-Gen. Ross E. Rowell

DETACHMENTS

MARINE BARRACKS, NAD, HAWTHORNE, NEVADA: This is the first time the post has been heard of since "Nigger" was a pup. How this reporting is going to make out, remains in the hands of THE LEATHERNECK editors and the lap of the gods.

Quite a few persons got caught in the deluge—of rates. Namely: Sgts. J. M. Berger, T. M. Caselli, J. Kaiser; Corps. A. L. Emils, F. J. Puel, P. Ryan; Pfs. J. W. Ard, T. A. Barnhouse, W. T. Barrett, M. R. Bellman, E. L. Blaek, L. W. Brown, B. L. Buffington, R. N. Carter, I. D. Castillo, L. L. Clouston, G. E. Coleman, C. J. Dishmon, G. C. Drake, J. W. Gray, A. Kaiser, R. E. Lowen, K. W. McCoy, R. E. Turk, and R. E. Young. Our sincere congrats, fellows and here's hoping that the long established custom of beer and cigars is not overlooked.

The Leatherneck Club will do, and has been doing, a rushing business, especially since the new punch cards went into effect instead of the old ticket system. Sgt. Ball in charge, with his assistants Pfs. Crelin and Gavin dispense the foaming liquid and the various other things with deft manipulation.

Our Commanding Officer, Major C. Dunbeck, ably assisted by Captain F. H. Krug and 2nd Lt. A. H. Allen, have the post running very efficiently. While our office staff, headed by our new 1st Sgt. C. G. Lail—who is a swell guy—is well appreciated by all.

Wonder what the post will be like without such worthies as Glessner, Adams, Hurt, Smith, Ould, Martin, Harlow, Patterson, and Ryan, Jr., who are being paid off in the next six weeks? Well, here's luck, shipmates, and we hope you make out on the "U.S.S. Outside."

Recently, we have received into our midst a total of fourteen men—all from Asiatic Station. We trust that you men will adjust yourselves comfortably and have good duty

here. They must be doing all right because two of them have already made another stripe.

Our typical desert weather isn't exactly typical of any place I've been, because we have our ups and downs. But when it gets hot—and I mean HOT—the men tramp down to the Navy Beach of Lake Walker and sport around in the water while others are viewing to see who can get the deepest tan. Of course, no one can drown as our life guards, Pfs. Ware and Fmlel Siler are always on hand.

Golly, this is getting to be a married men's post. Out of our 155 detachment there are so far: Sgts. Adams, Chambers, and Glessner; Corps. Hurt, Pierce, McEwen, Catlyn, and Emils; Pfs. Davis; Pvs. Berry and Bragg all living in the thriving metropolis of Hawthorne. Glessner and Berry were married in Reno the first week of August and how many more to go, only Cupid can tell.

Our most recent transfers have been Chief Cook Hyla, Corp. Quatman, Pfs. Hudalla, Pfs. O'Leary, Pfs. H. Johnson and Pfs. Lindquist all to San Diego. Pfs. Kitchens to Lakelhurst, N. J., and Pfs. M. Johnson to East Coast. Smooth sailing in your new posts, you guys, and we hope to see you again sometime.

Lt. Comdr. James M. Brown, (MC), USNR, is acting Officer in Charge of the RECRUITING DISTRICT, ST. LOUIS, MO., while our skipper, Captain John A. Tebbs, USMC, Ret'd., is away on leave. The Captain, due to urgent circumstances, had to make a hurried trip to his home in Virginia. This station had a banner month last month, we not only obtained our quota, but exceeded it. And now realizing that we can not get by on past laurels, we are back on the job and ready to make short work of the new

quota. This office has been busy with a city wide publicity campaign, with the co-operation of the St. Louis Marine Corps Post, (American Legion); Mr. Rufus Jackson, Postmaster; the newspapers and radio editors, this program is proving successful. Private First Class Vreeland, USMC, who recently enlisted in the Marine Corps at this station is a candidate for Annapolis; to Pfs. Vreeland go our heartiest congratulations and best wishes. Captain Tebbs and Commander Brown take pride in the men enlisted at this station, for on the shoulders of such men as these, lie the responsibility and safeguarding of a nation.

Your correspondent, Sergeant (RW) John A. Duffy, had the honor of hearing the United States Marine Corps Hymn sung by Lanny Ross star of stage and screen in his imitable fashion. Lanny seems to have a warm spot in his heart for the Marine Corps, and I am wondering whether or not Sergeant (RW) Hubert Graves, attached to the Headquarters, Central Recruiting Division, Chicago, Illinois, could tell me why. For when Lanny mentions the Marine Corps, he invariably adds, "the best military branch." Well, we have reached the 3.0 mark, so see you next time.

The most recent arrival here at BOURNE FIELD is Major W. W. Paes, who will command the Guard Detachment. We take pleasure in wishing the Major and his family a pleasant stay in St. Thomas.

Another recent arrival to this tropical paradise is StfSgt. W. H. Huber, who is the long awaited replacement for StfSgt. Kenski in the Photo Lab. Good luck Buddy and a pleasant stay.

We have another man taking advantage of his foreign shore duty to honeymoon with the "little woman." Pvt. Donald Rinnas welcomed his beautiful bride, of not so long



The Military Police Detachment of the Fourth Marines, Shanghai, China

ago, last week and the happy couple are now living in "Honeymoon Cottage" near the main gate. It is possible that Don can produce a little work in the boat house now that his better half has arrived.

The only promotion received at this station for the past month was Gaines B. Huneycutt to Chief Cook. The members of both the Aviation units and the Guard Detachment offer their congrats to "Huney," who it is said has well earned his promotion.

The Labor Day celebration at Bourne Field was a huge success. The celebration this year was different from any other ever held on the island. The day's events got underway in the morning with swimming events at Lindberg Bay, followed in the afternoon with a baseball game, tennis finals, horse races at Bourne Downs, and in the evening a smoker. The horse races and the smoker went over so well that plans are already being laid for similar events to be held soon again. We ask our readers to turn to the "Sport" pages for the results of the Labor Day celebration. Your columnist could probably fill the entire magazine on this subject if THE LEATHERNECK could find space to print it.

Once again the pages of this fine magazine is graced with an article from the roughest, toughest, snappiest bunch of Marines in the Fleet Marine Force, namely **COMPANY "A," FIRST TANK BATTALION**. There may be some who shall try to dispute this claim but they must be really tough, rough and snappy to beat this bunch of old salts.

Our CO, Major C. G. Meints, has just returned from New Orleans, La., and is slated to leave again soon to act as an official Marine Corps Observer at the Army Maneuvers in Louisiana. Lts. Robinson and Hall are also going to the maneuvers and when they get back there should be some changes made. Captain Walseth, who has returned from attending the Armored Force School at Fort Knox, Ky., will be our CO in the absence of the Major.

We are once again settled in barracks on Parris Island, S. C., after attending the joint Army, Navy and Marine maneuvers at New River, N. C. Scuttlebutt has us leaving again soon to take up a more or less permanent residence at New River, N. C., and the majority of the boys are hopeful that we may get settled down for a few months, as we have been continually on the move ever since we were first brought into existence in November, 1940.

As many of the readers have probably seen, this company had quite a write-up in the Aug. 14th issue of *Life*. There were some Jim dandy pictures of our tanks and some of our personnel and we are proud of the fact that they picked on us for pictures.

While on maneuvers this company was scattered out on three transports and as a result never had much chance to get together. We did, however, manage to make quite an impression, due mainly to the efficient efforts of our entire staff of officers and the whole-hearted cooperation of the enlisted personnel.

MG. S. M. Trippie has passed out the cigars subsequent to his appointment as Marine Gunner. Congratulations are also due the following listed men: TSgt. Chance; Sgts. Markham and McQuern; Corporals Bauer, Tedesco, McClure, Groves, Denen, Lasky, Lowe; Privates First Class Battreall, Cosgrove, Stanton, Rozier, Kelly and Smith. Should be smoking aplenty come payday.

We shall probably be established in our

new home by the next time you hear from us so until then, Adios.

We of the **MARINE BARRACKS, NAVAL AIR STATION, ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA**, once again modestly occupy our space in this fair text. Due to the negligence of yours truly, we failed to represent ourselves in the latter issue, but with great determination and zest we intend to remedy that fault at once.

To start things off in a grand manner we first announce the change in commission of 2nd Lt. Benedict, who recently accepted the next higher commission of 1st Lt. Another change, also, occurred in our roster during our absence, namely, the change in rank of PIsGt. Criswell to "Gunny," and may we add here, also, that wedding bells rang in this same process, thus affording a dual ceremony. Also, many individual stripes have been added in our midst, too numerous to mention.

Pfc. "Lucy" Goodwin bade us a fond farewell at the expiration of his enlistment and was last seen making tracks in the direction of Denver, Colorado, to make a stab at civil life. Chief Cook "Willy" Wilson was discharged, reenlisted, and is now enjoying the fruits of a thirty day furlough, whence he will return to again sling hash for his so-called chow-hounds.

At the present we are all putting an edge on our trigger fingers to anxiously await the much anticipated firings of our M-1 rifles to be conducted in a matter of a few weeks.

It is with a feeling of regret that the personnel of **IONA ISLAND** say Au Revoir to Major Earle S. Davis, their beloved Skipper, since early in May, 1940. Major Davis leaves Iona Island on Saturday, September 6th, and will report for duty at Quantico, Virginia, where he will be the Commanding Officer of the 15th Provisional Company. It is the wish of each member of this Command that sometime, somewhere, he will have the pleasure of once again serving under Major Davis. God Luck, Major! The best wishes of us all go with you to your new post.

We also wish to welcome to Iona Island our new Skipper, Major R. E. Mills, who reports here on Saturday, September 6th, from the Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y. Major Mills was only recently called back to active duty.

Noteworthy incidents of the past month include two terrific clashes between our softball team and the team from the Naval Ammunition Depot at Dover, N. J. The Dover team was victorious in the first game, played at Dover, by the score of 15 to 9. When the Dover boys visited us, however, matters were reversed and we drubbed them under a 16 to 10 count. We regret that arrangements for a third and rubber game could not be made. However, there's always a next year, and we'll all be looking forward to a renewal of the series.

On September 3rd and again on September 10th the Canteen threw swell Bar-B-ques for the detachment. I don't know exactly where the Mess found the Steer for the Bar-B-que, but it tasted swell when washed down by gallons of that good old Slop-chute brew.

Two new Sergeants reported in this month. We extend greetings to Staff Sergeant Robert C. Waybourn and to Platoon Sergeant Hubert J. Kupper.

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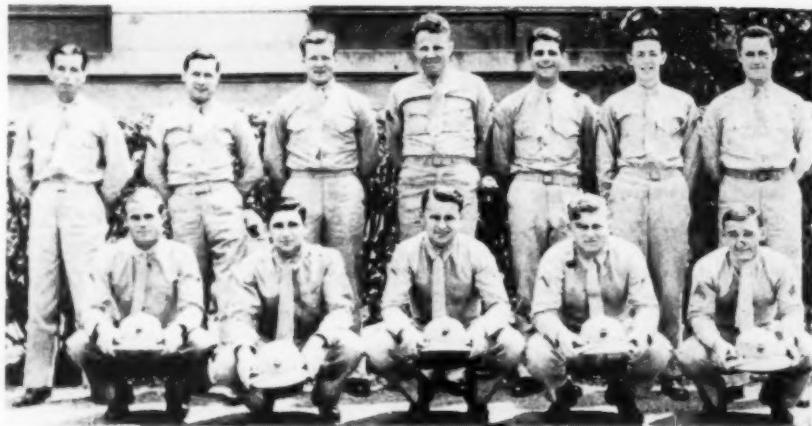
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At last, here is another, old "new at rival"—**COMMUNICATION PLATOON, 7TH MARINES**. We read the last LEATHERNECK and soon made up our minds that we were not to be outdone by Third Bu. The recent promotions in the Comm. Platoon were "Bosco" Taylor from T-Sgt. to Mt-Sgt. Bosco Baker, sometimes called Bosco (JGO), to Sgt. Red Ronan to Corp. and H. L. Beasley, O. M. Dugay and R. D. Phillips to Pfe. Pappy Allen is studying for the Staff exam., and hopes to have the privilege of passing out cigars soon. All of the boys are feeling fine lately—the after-effects of a Labor Day 72. Since we returned from New River maneuvers we have been living a life of ease. We have also changed communication officers since we were formed. We now have Lt. W. J. Langbitt, who is well liked by all. Well, we will leave it to the other outfits in H-7-5 to submit their own comments and we hope that this "awakening" will give them a little incentive. At least Third Bu. didn't entirely out-do us.



The Pearl Harbor "Outlaws," winners of the Inter-Company Baseball League

Your **MARINE BARRACKS, SUBMARINE BASE, COCO SOLO, CANAL ZONE**, correspondents find that it is again time to dash off a few choice bits of news.

First Sergeant Wallace Henry has been notified that he is to take the examination for Marine Gunner. We are all pulling for him to make the grade and hope that he will get the appointment real soon.

A Marine's duties in Coco Solo are many and varied. Recently Lt. Lemmer, Corporal Schroeder, Pfs. Kantz, H. Davis, and Vleck went on an expedition to some islands near the Equator and judging from their appearance on their return, none of them suffered any ill effects from their experiences.

Our congratulations this month go to Charles B. Whittinghill, who has advanced one more step nearer to the top, which is from Sergeant to Platoon Sergeant; also to Randolph Gibbs and William Schroeder, who advance from Corporal to Sergeant, and from Pfe. to Corporal we have Jack L. Tie (QM), William La Barreare, Jack Newman, Bernard Fenlon, and Bernard Nieder. The Privates who made Pfc. are too numerous to mention here, but we will take this opportunity to extend our congratulations to each and every one of them.

QM-Sgt. J. B. King has received his orders to report to a statement station on completion of his tour of foreign duty, which is on the seventeenth of September. We all hate to see him go, and wish him the best of luck at his new station. Incidentally Sgt. King recently shipped over for another four years in the service, thus making a total of twelve years to his credit.

Nothing much of any interest has happened in the last month, just routine work, leaving us with very little to write about, so we will just have to say Adios until next month.

Marines at the **NAVAL AIR STATION, LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY**, can look back upon a summer that has been literally packed with entertainment and recreation as well as the commonplace duties of watch-standing. Among the high spots in the line of entertainment was the appear-

ance of Phil Spitalny and his all girl orchestra on Sunday, August 24th, on which date the "Hour of Charm" broadcast was transmitted from this station. Prior to the visit of this top-flight group the men of the station were treated to a grand stage show featuring first-line entertainers from New York City.

August 28th Lakehurst applauded the efforts of a troupe from Fort Dix—to attempt a description of the talents of these men would be folly—much has been written of them in columns depicting night-club and stage life, but we freely admit our inability to do justice to their masterful interpretations. Clad in Army khaki, these selectees, draftees, inductees, or call them what you will, put on a performance that was inspiring—we call them a credit to our country. Jack Leonard—who doesn't know he made a name for himself with Tommy Dorsey? — vocalized several selections, among them "I Understand," "Getting Sentimental Over You" and "You Walk By." Marco Rosales, formerly of the "La Conga Club," made an impression with his treatment of "Aurora," "Say Si Si," "Streamlined Sheik of Araby," as well as his spirited direction of the orchestra composed of men taken into Army life from many name bands. Art Barnett convulsed the audience with his excellent impersonations of a train conductor and the results of his research in the study of different types of laughs. Joe Scandur, baritone of "Boys from Syracuse" fame, contributed much to the show with his renditions of "Rose Marie" and "Song of the Marine." Hilarious in his portrayal of a citizen undergoing the tortures of a subway ride was Syd Tamber of Broadway fame. Platoon Sergeant Shackleton personalized the job of master of ceremonies, adding his splendid voice to the program singing "Falling in Love with Love." Corp. Bill Kent (it's straight dope that he was the model for Superman) sang "Yours" in the manner which had made him a favorite in Miami night-spots. What a show!

Hopes are high on the part of those aspiring to make Expert with the rifle this year, and they're all positive that the new M-1's will turn the trick for them in gaining the coveted "Expert" classification. We have no doubt, however, that they'll find you still have to "hold 'em and Squeeze 'em" as in previous range seasons.

The Post Picnic Ground was the setting for the **POST SERVICE BATTALION** picnic. This was the initial picnic sponsored by the battalion this year. Judging from the popularity of the event through the large attendance it is safe and reasonable to presume that at least another picnic will be the order of the day before old man winter comes to town.

The officers and men of the Post Service Battalion were the proud hosts to the Commanding General of the Post, Major General L. McCarty Little, and his chief of staff, Colonel David L. S. Brewster.

To this gala event came many of the Battalion's track and field stars to participate in the athletic events, as well as partake in the festivities. While in even greater numbers came some of the ablest of elbow-benders and beah swillers to quaff olympian quantities of amber liquids and appease their lusty appetites.

The motorcade laden with human cargo got under way promptly at 1:15 o'clock Saturday afternoon from "H" Barracks. Arriving on the scene, men swarmed around the two tables at which beer dispensers Sgt. Maj. Leonard Curey and right bower Stf Sgt. Owen R. Nixon were waiting with their staves to dish out the suds and give vent to the merriment of the day. From taps, cans, pitchers, and what-have-you, men repeatedly filled their paper cups with cool brew.

Meanwhile, at another table jovial Chef Swenson and his crew set a table of edibles that would grace the gastronomic wishes of a king. Perhaps the best way to describe the many things he had would be to say: "Everything from soup to Nuts." Needless to state, all the food was deliciously prepared and more than enough for everyone present.

We might add that the Post Band did more than their share in contributing to the festive spirit of the ever moving crowds by playing appropriate numbers throughout the afternoon.

The Marine Corps, or at least that portion known as the **MARINE BARRACKS, NAVAL AIR STATION, CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS**, has openly and collectively attached its affections to Miss Jacqualine Alford of Corpus Christi. Miss Alford was designated "Sweetheart of the Marines" by a representative group of Marines from this Detachment during a style review held as part of Buccaneer Days celebration on June 15, 1941. As material evidence of their esteem, an engraved trophy was purchased by the enlisted personnel of the Detachment and presented to Miss Alford on Saturday, July 12, 1941, by First Sergeant Joseph J. Pifel. A guard of honor was paraded to make the ceremony complete. As an ironical illustration of misguided selection, Miss Alford was married to an enlisted Naval Reservist on August 9, 1941.

Since this contribution is the first that we have offered, it would seem appropriate that some data pertaining to our origination should be given. The Marine Detachment of this station was organized November 4, 1940, at the Marine Barracks, Parris Island, S. C., and was transferred to the Marine Barracks, Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Texas, on February 10, 1941. Captain James A. Connor, the Commanding Officer, was ordered to this station prior to the arrival of the Detachment in February.

The number of enlisted personnel of this detachment is not up to the authorized quota, and there seems little possibility

that any considerable additional men will be joined in the near future. Hence, day on and day off guard duty is the order by necessity. It would appear, though, that the hearts of practically all stragglers are stirred by sympathy for our cause, inasmuch as a considerable number have turned in here. This is a useless procedure, since all of these men except one were returned to the point from which they originally departed to undergo disciplinary action. There would seem to be a moral in this situation.

Several men received pay increases in the last month, without an act of Congress, by means of the following promotions: Corporal to Sergeant—William W. Novack and Todd Walker; Private First Class to Corporal—John F. Hillyard, William A. Lee and Dale A. Yoakam; Private to Private First Class—James M. Bumpus, Norman A. Cannon, John N. Cheskak, James F. Collins, Jeff D. Crabb, William R. Creasey, John N. Davis, Bruce A. Frye, Joseph F. Goras, Ardley R. Hanemann, John H. Kiernan, Hugh Killmeyer, Lawrence E. Kreger, Joseph G. Loschin, Francis E. Morrison, Milner Smith, Joe C. Wilson and Howard C. Young. Congratulations being in order, we offer our best.

MARINE BARRACKS, NAVAL AIR STATION, TERMINAL ISLAND, wants to get on the air.

There have always been goings-on here at this outpost but LEATHERNECK readers never knew. But now we have our wavelength, this correspondent is the announcee, and so here goes—the first of our monthly contributions to LEATHERNECK lore.

Now, first let's get acquainted. Let me introduce our commanding officer, Major W. R. Hughes, a leader in his own right whose unrelenting authority is reflected in the strict discipline and smart appearance of Marines at this station.

Next, let me present First Lieutenant E. W. Sparks, recently promoted to his present rank. Besides other innumerable duties, 1st Lt. Sparks recently took over the task of contact man—that is, the responsibility for Marine publicity.

Our third officer—step forward Lieutenant—is Second Lieutenant W. E. Scherwin. All of these officers came from the ranks. They are salt-air seasoned, having seen numerous ports from the bow of a U. S. fighting ship. And, I don't know but methinks from the looks of them that some football team at one time boasted about its Hughes, Sparks, and Scherwin.

In charge of the Marine office is First Sergeant E. B. Peck, a 20 year man in the service. Oh, yes, and our company clerk, the man always in the know, is Private First Class L. E. Gibson, an efficiency man if ever there was.

I could go on with a list of the non-coms, but space says nix. Anyway, you'd rather meet them yourself sometime.

We have been missing several familiar faces around here. The discharge of Chief Cook Harry J. Lozinski had us worried no end until we were convinced his successor would not disappoint our appetites. Corporal Billie B. Morrison has been attracted by the high wages on the "outside" and has been paid off. Likewise, Corporal Frank A. Owen decided to be a civilian again. The "outside" has gained and we have lost. We are sorry, too, to learn that Corporal Joseph F. Pellegrin has been transferred to the Naval Air Station at Pensacola, and Pfc. Jack J. Paullin and

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Pvt. David O. Owens have been lost to the navy hospital at San Diego.

Pl. Sgt. Thore A. Johnson believes 23 years in the Marine Corps is just a beginning and will still remain among us.

Cigar smoke has been as thick around the barracks this month as the fog along this island. Eight privates were given that little certificate that reads, "You are hereby appointed First Class Private."

We introduce newly appointed Pfs. Donald A. Johnson, Chester B. Boddy, Jr., James Fermanis, Elmer L. Luebeck, Donald R. Mouw, Svend Norgaard, Paul N. McEwen, and Harold W. Lenthall.

This contribution would not be complete without mentioning our well known mascot, the congenial English bulldog, Private Pug. He doesn't have many duties and he doesn't carry arms, but no Private has a better record. And, who knows? When my next contribution is due, this canine may be a Pfe.

Nightly movies in a palatial theater, ice cream in a chromium and leather emporium, ample living space, unlimited water, and "shore leave" seven nights a week made the last month and a half for the **FIRST ANTI-AIRCRAFT MACHINE GUN BATTERY, QUANTICO**, an interlude of pleasant contrast to the preceding ten weeks at sea.

With the sweets there was also a trace of bitters in the form of ten-mile marches with heavies, under sun that seemed hotter than that in Cuba. In fact, even without marches it was hot. For there wasn't a breath of

wind, except on one occasion, when a junior gale swooped by and almost blew down the tents. The rest of the time the thermometer hovered around 100 degrees. The evenings, however, were cool, and several modes of relaxation were available after work hours.

One of the happier changes was living in large pyramidal tents instead of four-tier bunks in a ship's hold. The change from "C" rations and mess gear to good food served on crockery in a glistening mess hall was pleasant, and the absence of blackouts after sunset was convenient for letter writers, book readers and radio listeners. It was also restful, not to say different, in the evening to sit on leather seats in an air conditioned theater and see current pictures, as compared to seeing ten year-old talkies from the boat deck of a rolling ship with rain patterning on the audience and lightning and destroyer searchlights flashing across the screen to totally obliterate the semi-visible pictures, and all the while the sound wheezing through like a played out phonograph. Ho! for the life of a sailor. It certainly was great to return to Quantico.

The battery took advantage of the splendid ranges at Quantico, and vice-versa, the range taking practically all the battery NCO's for coaches. Officers and men in the battery fired for record with bar, rifle, and pistol. Most of the battery also qualified in swimming under direction of Second Lieutenant Stephen Stavers, former one-mile Free-style champion from Columbia University.

Notable events within the battery were several promotions and changes. The battery was graced by three new sergeants, eight corporals, twelve privates, first class, and two assistant cooks, all regular members of the battery. Captain Don C. Hart, battery commander, lost one of his capable junior officers, however, when Second Lieutenant Richard S. Johnson was transferred to the parachute troops, reporting for duty at Lakehurst, N. J.

Promoted to sergeant were Arthur J. Harris, Willard W. Killingsworth and Francis J. Sullivan. Those advanced to corporal were Stanley Groch, Leroy W. Mead, Wallace B. Garnett, Norton F. Henniger, Reuben R. Floyd, Vincent J. Nassef, George H. Sibert and William H. Falls, Jr.

Pfc. warrants went to Thornton K. Caples,

Jack F. Greco, Michael Marich, Enrico J. Martello, Willard S. Morris, John J. Hopstar, Robert H. Graham, Willis H. Winston, John J. De Monte, Hubert M. Broyles, Richard W. Gallandt, and Gray L. Tutor.

Sergeant Alonzo N. Chesney was transferred to Brooklyn Yard and Corporal Allen R. Carter to Electrical School in Chicago. Corporal Francis W. Watson and Pfc. Michael M. Manthos returned to civilian life via special dependency discharges.

The Anti-aircraft battery's ace boxer, Pfc. Raymond Richard, middleweight, showed promise of being one of the top ringmen in the FMF by an impressive decision over "Terrible Terry Reynolds" in a three-round bout that was part of the FMF smoker September 5.

But like all good things, the sojourn in Quantico came to an end, as late in September the battery looked ahead to the wilds of New River.

COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, 7TH MARINES, have dropped anchor again—only this time we ran aground on Parris Island, S. C. After being aboard the transport "Barnett" for nine weeks the lads of this company were eager for any "terra firma." The maneuvers off the rough and rampaging coast of North Carolina were uneventful except for the misplacing of "Topkick" McGettigan's *Noxema*. A four-day bivouac concluded the program and in a short time anchor was weighed for Charleston, S. C.

By the time this article is placed among the pages of the next LEATHERNECK we hope to be occupying our new divisional home base at New River, N. C. The boys find Parris Island pleasant, but reluctant to know that the mosquitoes have an overdose of "southern hospitality."

The company is now located in tents three-quarters of a mile west of the main station. Swimming parties, softball and baseball games fill the recreational program for the men, and we soon hope to shape out a good team to challenge the battalion.

Well, getting back to the things that interest most ambitious gyrenes—promotions



Left to right: Mrs. L. M. McCallum, Ch. Ph. L. M. McCallum, MT-Sgt. D. C. Barnum, QM-Ck. McCallum, MT-Sgt. L. Freda, Mrs. P. A. Neff, and PM-Sgt. P. A. Neff celebrate the opening of the new bachelor non-com's quarters, Quantico, Va.

—lucky men this month were Pfc. Nestler, Jersitz, Robicheau, Saxon and Thompson, who are two stripers. The latter four were recently transferred from Key West, Fla., to this company. Congratulations—Corporals!

The commissioned roster for Company E has been subject to change several times and at the present we have as "skipper" Captain Alfred H. Marks, with Platoon Leaders 2nd Lieutenants Marvin Schacher, Thomas W. Lawson, Saul Glassman and John J. Canney in support.

Second Lieutenant Canney comes to us from Company H and we extend an open welcome to him, hoping he will like our company. This is Company E signing off!

COMPANY H, 2ND BATTALION, 7TH MARINES, is now at Parris Island, following distinguished service in the recent 1st Marine Division maneuvers held jointly with the Army in the New River area. About the 21st it will move out with the 7th Regiment to supervise the completion of the New River base.

Add promotions: To platoon sergeant, Sergeant Francis P. McGrath; to sergeant, Corporals Charles J. Widmaier and Jefferson Dewey Fogle; to corporal, privates first class, James B. Winborne, Leon L. Schwartz, Arthur W. McDonough and Horace R. Durham.

To parachute troops Private William S. Walkowski; to the command of Company F, Second Battalion, Seventh, First Lieutenant Odell V. Connelly, formerly Company H, executive. Newcomers include Sergeant John A. Hopper and Corporal Michael Pesanchik, both from Headquarters and Service Company of the 1st Service Battalion, Quantico; to Company E, of the 7th, Lieut. John J. Canney, Jr., and to the Washington Barracks, Lieut. Lawrence V. Patterson.

Newly wedded are Sergeants William L. Agee (to the former Miss Lois Burgess, of Savannah, Ga.), and Michael Paige (to the former Miss Stella Forsyth, of Pennsylvania.)

Back in time for the last phase of maneuvers was Captain Michael MacInnes Mahoney, absent on two months' detached duty in Quantico, where he was engaged in secret experimental work on .30 and .50 caliber Browning Machine Guns.

Happy days are here again, at least for a while anyway. Everyone in **HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 3RD BATTALION, 7TH MARINES**, is so happy to be back on the good old earth again that they do not know just what to do, but that is taken care of by getting the camp straightened out.

There is one thing though that keeps our spirits up, and that is week-end liberty, that gives most of us an opportunity to visit our folks for the first time in three months, that is if they don't live too far away.

We have a few promotions in Headquarters Company. We congratulate Peoples and Philips, who made sergeant, and Sharie, Sanguedolee, and Norman, for receiving their corporal's warrant. We cannot forget the first step in progress Pfc. Brannon, Dodds, Crocker, Horney, Lancy and Stanley are making.

Well there's not much more to say except that we are just standing by for the next move, so until next time I will say "So long, Everybody."

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ate. Sufficient to say that **COMPANY I**, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, is on some occasions "the life of the party" and always among those present on these all too current maneuvers.

We have returned none the worse from the North Carolina jungles but freely admit that the mosquitoes quit on top. For instance, one seasoned recruit was observed idly slapping at a mosquito only to discover his cigarette had burned through his shirt and was singeing his hide instead. This gives the layman an idea of the amperage these insects throw into you.

We negotiated the North West Passage through wood and swamp galore. In charge was Lt. Sheffield, assisted by 1st Sgt. Keppe, who jointly cautioned the boys against going native entirely.

While on the ship we had the usual seasicknesses; fortunately, no one contracted lockjaw at the same time.

Once more **COMPANY L**, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, submits its monthly news for any interested readers which no doubt we have, somewhere. We are now on the beach in Parris Island, South Carolina, and are we tickled, new clothes, liberty, even seventy twos and the chow. Quite a relief, although a long hike to get it. There have been few changes in the personnel, Private Hyland being transferred to the Marine Barracks, NAS, Lakehurst, N. J., and our former company commander, Captain Clark, to the regiment as R-2; congratulations, Captain, we will miss you but glad to have you remain in the First Division.

We now have five second lieutenants with the joining of Lieutenant Cassell; welcome to our company, Lieutenant. Well the new dope is finally out; our next move is to be New River, N. C., and your writer hopes it is the last for a long period. Sergeant Campbell, our esteemed property sergeant, is about to hop to it and re-mark all the company property chests, etc. Sergeant Jones and Corporal Peterson, also forgot to mention Louie Tanner, our mess sergeant, are advertising their qualities as bus drivers for the boys who will want to move deluxe in their flivvers. A number of the members of this organization were promoted to Pfc. and corporal, will enter the names in our next column as the list has not been

officially published. Hope to have more good news the end of September.

Greetings and salutations from **COMPANY M**, Third Battalion, Seventh Marines, as we once again set foot on the sandy soil of Parris Island, S. C. Previous to this time the men received some rugged conditioning and bivouacking in the New River area. The men consider themselves regular campers now. Sgt. Gus May made so many reconnaissance and reconnoitering patrols that he can almost draw a map of New River from memory. A few members of the company intend to organize a swing band, with "Hot Drums Trammell" beating it out eight to the bar. So far our local talent is a little rusty, but it won't be long until it shapes into one of the best.

Several promotions have occurred this month, and we wish to extend congratulations to Pfc. Marscofsky, Sgt. Kelly, Corporals Horrigan, Neuwirth and Roeker. Also we wish to congratulate Privates First Class Henick, Henkel, Epifanio and Gupchik. We wish to welcome 2nd Lt. Littin, who has just joined our company. The shoe polish and blitz cloth is sure being put to use, and it's only a matter of minutes before the boys shave off on leave, and I'm one of them. So, good-bye now.

MARINE CORPS INSTITUTE promotions in August were Henschel to sergeant, Goetz to corporal, and Watt to private first class.

Furloughs granted during this torrid month went to Roy, Gioiosa, Marchio, Soloby, Walsh, Lindsay, Ford, Salguero, King, Meckle, Fownes, Drake, Wilkinson, Foster, A. C. Anderson, Hovatter, Day, Fiddner, Levinsseur, Ziek, Cooke, Inglee, Orsini, Parship, and Banger.

Resinor, Fownes, Cronan, Bauer, Held, Buchany, Chalifoux, Alden, Brett, Rybinski, Meier, McDouall, Taylor, Rogers, Stephens, Bennett, and Vaughn were assigned to special temporary duty at HQMC.

Thomas and Fallien were transferred to the barracks detachment; da Cruz and Latta were transferred to Norfolk and Quantico, respectively.

New men, all from Parris Island, are Lumpkin and Philips, from USMCR, and

Cooke, King, Varney, Brown, Greenberg, Resch, Steiner, Cobb, Abbott, Naylor and Schuman.

THE UNITED STATES MARINE BAND ushered in the busy month of September by the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner" at the conclusion of President Roosevelt's nation-wide radio address on Labor Day, September 1st. Two weeks of parades, concerts and broadcasts followed—the season ending on Friday, September 12, on which day the band took part in its last full-dress parade of the season here at the barracks in Washington.

At 6:00 P. M., Saturday, the next day, the entire band entrained for Columbus, Ohio, to participate in the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. This is getting to be traditional with the Marine Band as it has been attending these encampments every year for quite a few years. After a busy week of parades, banquets and dedication ceremonies the band returned to Washington, arriving at 8:00 A. M. the morning of the 20th, and leaving at 7:00 P. M. the same evening for a six-weeks' concert tour of the middle west. Twenty-five of the men remained behind, however, as there are always official engagements here in Washington that require the services of musicians of the band.

Some of the readers of this article by the time it appears may have already seen and listened to the Marine Band on its tour. Some of the cities visited by the band in September were Wheeling, West Virginia; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Cleveland, Ohio; Toledo, Ohio; Flint, Michigan, and Grand Rapids, Michigan. These concerts are always thrilling experiences for the listeners and if any of you LEATHERNECK subscribers who live in the middle west have never been in Washington and listened to the martial strains of the United States Marine Band now is the chance for you to avail yourself of this opportunity. We guarantee it will be an evening of splendid, exhilarating music that you will never forget.

It has been a long time since this Barracks was heard from via THE LEATHERNECK and, for those who have served here, and for those who have not, I shall endeavor to give you the "low-down" on **MB, SUBMARINE BASE, NEW LONDON, CONN.**

First, we are a small detachment, charged with the armed security of the Submarine Base, situated on the Thames River, a few miles from Groton, Conn., and across the river from New London, Conn. Our barracks, built during the last war, is of frame construction. We have a large recreation room on the lower deck containing very comfortable modern furniture, tables for games and reading, adequate floor lamps, rugs on the floor and a real honest-to-goodness fireplace to give it the touch of home on winter evenings. The walls are covered with scenes of Marine Corps activities, photos of previous commanding officers and general officers of the Marine Corps, past and present. Also on the first deck is our galley and well lighted spacious mess-hall, post exchange and post exchange beer parlor containing pool and ping pong tables. We also have an excellent school room, replete with scale models of various phases of combat, training problems, field fortifications and engineering developments.

Two large squad rooms are top-side, one at the north end and the other at the south end of the building, with two large shower rooms, washrooms and heads connecting. We have our own barber shop, tailor shop with steam presser, an excellently equipped laundry, all operated by the Post Exchange.

Our commanding officer is Major W. G. Emory, U.S.M.C., retired. Our Post Q.M. and Junior Officer is First Lieutenant Herbert P. Beyer, U.S.M.C.R., who is also in charge of instruction, morale and recreation. Sgt. Major I. F. McClay handles administration, ably assisted by Corporal U. S. Baker. Corporal Melvin C. Jones (Q.M.) handles Q.M. activities. StfSgt. (M) Baldassare, Fleet Marine Corps Reserve, runs our mess and does a very excellent job considering the small number of rations he has to work with. We congratulate him on his

selection for promotion to rank of Tech. Sgt.

Sgt. Robert England (F.M.C.R.), is acting Platoon Sgt., assistant in charge of instruction. Sgt. Assad is Post Exchange Steward and bookkeeper.

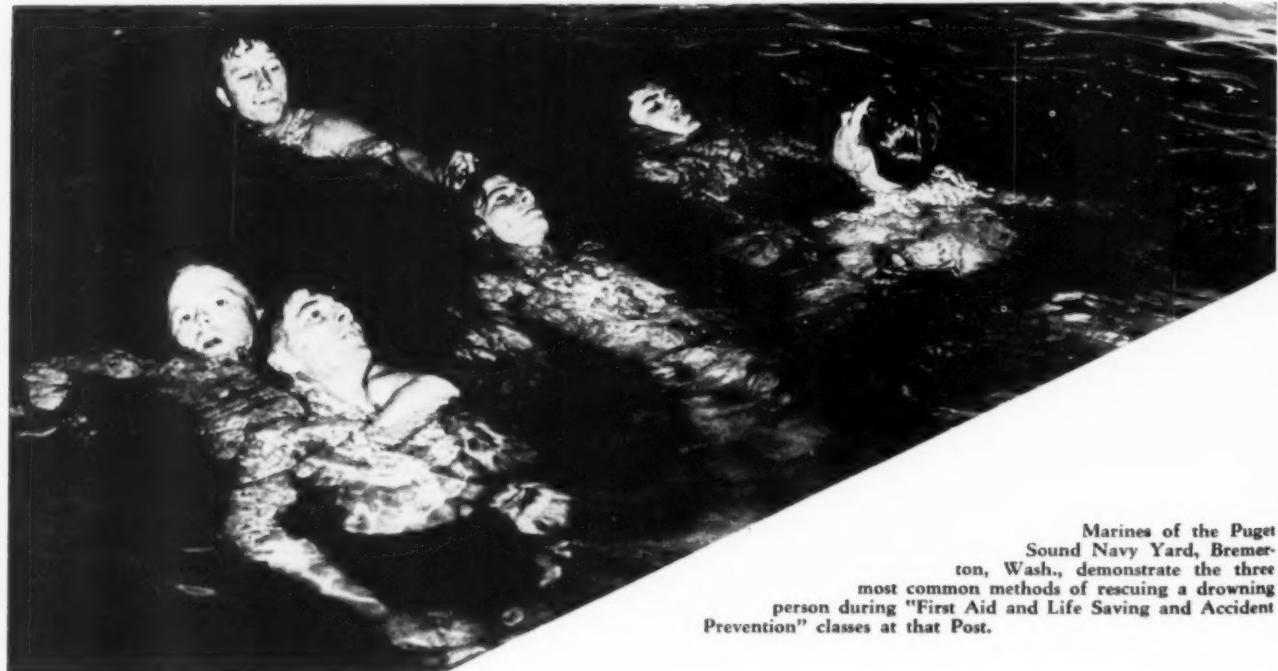
Sgt. E. S. Reilly, recently reenlisted, and now on furlough, is our regular police Sgt. Corporal "Dinghow Muskee" Soloway is holding down the job of Police Sgt. at the present time and is doing a splendid job.

Guard duty is our main activity. Some posts are on running watches and others day on and day off. Liberty is mostly made in New London and Norwich, Conn., the latter being 12 miles from the barracks. Ocean Beach, at New London, Municipally operated, offers excellent summer recreation. Niantic, about 6 miles from New London, offers like facilities. Those fortunate enough to have their own transportation get to more distant places, such as Westerly, R. I., 18 miles, and Mystic, Conn., 10 miles, and even to Providence, R. I.

We are grieved to announce that our Bull dog mascot, Corporal Major Tiny, has chased his last automolie. On Thursday, August 21, 1941, after all that could be done for him medically, he was disposed of, as he was suffering from fatal injuries. He was buried with full military honors at sunset on the parade ground that he loved so well. Field Musician Guillette rendered the most thrilling taps for our playmate that has ever been heard. So long Major, and we hope that there will be plenty of bones and memories of your fellow Marines in "Dog Heaven."

A notice of Major's death and his picture were published in the local newspaper, *New London Evening Day*. The immediate response to this notice of offers to replace our mascot was indeed gratifying. We have, however, tentatively accepted a full-blooded male bull-terrier and an equally full-blooded pedigreed female English bull, both of whom are registered in the American Kennel Club.

Now that we are squared away on clips for the M-1 rifle, Sgt. England and a detail,



Marines of the Puget Sound Navy Yard, Bremerton, Wash., demonstrate the three most common methods of rescuing a drowning person during "First Aid and Life Saving and Accident Prevention" classes at that Post.

including Pfc. Stecko, Bokun, and Dembinski are at the Connecticut National Guard Rifle Range at Danielson, Conn., getting everything ship-shape for the firing of the familiarization course. We look forward to a very pleasant change from routine barracks duty. The range is only an hour's drive from New London.

Recent separations from the Post were: StfSgt. Disney, now at a Caribbean Station; First Sgt. Nourse, at a point unknown. Sgt. Wallace Reed discharged and married at Merrimack, New Hampshire. Corporal Horne discharged and doing his best to keep away from the Marine Corps. He misses those after watches horizontal exercises, which they don't have on the outside. The following men were recently transferred to Quantico, Va.: Pfc. Adams, Walder and Roy, and least of all Shorty Sanders. "She still calls for you, Shorty."

Sgt. England and Sgt. Assad are anxiously looking for the publication of the Platoon Sgts. list.

Pvt. Owens, Pvts. First Class Mitchell and Noreczyk recently returned from furlough. Owens at least looks as though he did the things he intended to do and is good for another three years of duty.

Yours truly is now Post Mail Orderly, Pfc. Carwardine is orderly for the Commanding Officer, Submarine Base, New London, Connecticut.

We are sorry to say that Private First Class Arthur B. Worden is recuperating at the Naval Hospital, Newport, Rhode Island. We all wish him a rapid recovery.

Very pleasant things have been happening to the members of **MARINE DETACHMENT, AMERICAN EMBASSY, LONDON, ENGLAND**, since we last wrote.

First of all we had some promotions, Field Cook Frank V. Byers being promoted to the rank of chief cook and the following men being promoted to the rank of private first class: William L. Cavanaugh, Francis M. Connolly, Francis J. Hillberg, Jr., William E. Peterson, Luther L. Pledger, Jr., and Edgar E. Reynolds. Sure makes the fellows feel fine and makes the whole detachment happy.

Have been having a series of entertainments for the members of the detachment at the various organizations in the city. On 8 August, 1941, we were entertained by the Royal Pay Force at a dance. Several outstanding entertainers were present and a very enjoyable time was had by all.

On 12 August, 1941, we were entertained by Mrs. Littlejohn Cook at the All Services' Club, which is just a few blocks from the Barracks. Our hostesses for the evening, besides Mrs. Littlejohn Cook were Mrs. Anthony Eden, chairman of the club, and Lady Bowes-Lyon, Lady in Waiting to Her Majesty the Queen, and a trustee of the club. This party was attended by most of the American Red Cross Nurses in and around London, and it was the order of the evening to indulge in good old American slang, as that was the first time since we have been in London that we could use it and have someone understand it. There was quite a bit of jitter-bugging, too, as the British girls have not learned it as yet. A great evening was had by all.

The outstanding party so far, was the one which the Royal Marines stationed at the Admiralty (Navy Department Building), this city, gave for us. It was a stag affair. The room was filled with tables, the last row of tables being reserved for the guests. There was ale of all types and descriptions and lager for those who liked the American

tang. This seemed to come from an inexhaustible supply.

Early in the evening the entertainment started and lasted all evening. The entertainers were: Miss Sybil Slack a soprano who sang songs that were familiar to all of us, and at her invitation most of us joined in; Mr. Trevor Jones, a baritone, who gave us a very enjoyable taste of the folk songs of this country and sprinkled them with many military songs of the local troops; Miss Florence Desmond, star of the "Black Varieties," this city, who gave us many impersonations. Her impersonation of Panama Sadie as played by Joan Crawford, was so good that it almost stopped the show. Next came Mr. Lyall Evans with a selection of songs, which was almost drowned out, by his request, by the men present. Miss Pat Kirkwood, the star of "Lady Be Good" sang down "Argentine Way" followed by "If This Is Love, Give Me More of It" in such a way as to have most of the men precariously perched on the edges of their chairs. The many encores she gave were as good as her first selections. Mr. Harold French then entertained with his song and comedy skit which was deserving of the many encores which he gave. The final skit of the evening was more songs by Mr. Norman Hacksworth who will long be remembered by his rendition of a Cole Porter medley which included "Begin the Beguine." These names will not mean much to most of you, but in order to entertain Royal Marines who visit the United States with such a distinguished group you would have to have Lawrence Tibbett, Marlene Dietrich, Bing Crosby, Rudy Vallee, Eddie Cantor, and stars of that caliber. So you can see, we were well entertained.

The first act of the evening I have not mentioned above. That was given by two lassies and one laddie in Scottish kilts of the Mac Donald Clan complete with bag pipes and all. Their songs, dancing and entertainment was something very unusual for us. They danced the famous Mac Donald sword fling, which, we were told is very rarely danced outside of the clan gatherings. These two girls and fellow are employed in a nearby ammunition factory.

The guests for the evening could have been a page from "Who's Who." They included Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, who also played and sang for us; Lt. Gen. Sir A. G. Bourne, R.M., Adjutant General of the Royal Marines (their Commandant); Commander Fletcher, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary of the First Lord of the Admiralty; Brigadier Dawson, R.M., Deputy Adjutant General, Royal Marines; Lord Huntingfield, a veteran of so many wars and campaigns that I only could distinguish about half of them; and Sir H. V. Malcolm, Civil Secretary of the Admiralty. We're in high company.

The evening ended with the Marines of both Corps singing "Old Lang Syne" and with our expressing our thanks to Captain I. Franklyn, R.M., Commanding Officer of the Royal Marine Defence Force, and to Sergeant Major Robertson for the most extraordinary evening that we have had since we have been in London.

There was just one thing about it that we regretted. Being held in the Admiralty, no pictures could be taken.

That is about all for this time, so cheerio, and pip-pip.

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Billings and Great Falls, our established sub-stations, have been supplemented by a producing station at Missouri in the western part of the state. Thus we now have a fan shaped district with DHS located in the southern outlet, conducive to economical routing of recruits but definitely not advantageous in many other respects.

Probably our luckiest break in opening this virgin territory was a celebration in the form of a Marine Corps League Banquet held at the Cliff House. The portion of our force that had arrived headed by Colonel Ralph E. Davis, Captain Con Sollard, former OinC, and the celebrated "Zo" Elliott of "The Long, Long Trail" fame were honor guests with speeches and anecdotes ruling the hour.

The affair made the society column, and daily since the Marine Corps has participated in the news in both the local publications. Butte and Missoula are coincidentally fortunate in that items appearing in the morning papers also get a repeat in the afternoon edition. Newspapers and radio have been of inestimable value in introducing the Marine Corps to our Montana friends.

We're not claiming all the credit. Here where the men (and women) grow to ample proportions, we sometimes HAVE to work fast.

Marine Corps Institute Page

AVIATION COURSES

America is on the wing these days. Fifty thousand planes require 150,000 pilots. To meet expansion requirements, American Aviation needs one million trained men. Every pilot in the air means 20 or more positions on the ground. The average young man of 1941 is no longer content with the knowledge which will enable him to distinguish the difference between a military and a private or commercial plane. The model must be known. He also wants to know the performance specifications and the problems which the crew must solve as the craft is hurled through space at from 100 to 600 miles per hour.

1940 will long remain as the turning point in the growth of the aviation industry. New all time highs were reached in the movement of passengers, air mail and express. La Guardia Field—New York's \$40,000,000 airport settled down to capacity business; Philadelphia's new multi-million dollar airport was opened; T.W.A. installed a fleet of 35-passenger, 4-Engine strato-liners; a new route was opened across the South Pacific by Pan American, and at New York City the world's first Airlines Terminal was completed.

The nation's demand for an air fleet immeasurably greater than any ever contemplated for the United States creates a market for the ready sale of ability in any branch of aircraft, engine or accessory production. The commercial development in the field of aeronautics has created a new frontier in industrial expansion. Military and commercial fields are offering many and varied opportunities for trained men and women, and the ownership and operation of light planes is swiftly assuming the trend which the automobile attained when production was put on a quantity basis and the initial cost and upkeep drastically reduced.

In view of the fact that aviation has attained such importance, many marines are interested in getting into step with this

fast-moving giant of the 20th century—Aviation. Aviation is young. Get in on the ground floor and grow up with the industry. Whether you are a model flyer fan, an aeronautical engineer, an airplane mechanic, a glider enthusiast, a person desirous of securing a pilot's license, or one who is curious and seeking knowledge on the fascinating subject of aviation, you will find the following aviation courses helpful:

Fundamentals of Aeronautical Engineering
Air Pilot's
Aviation Engines
Airplane Maintenance
Aviation Mechanics

The instruction papers of the Marine Corps Institute have definite advantages:

"They explain simply and clearly the principles underlying the theory and the operation of aviation engines.

They give the student the necessary understanding of electric ignition and accessories, as applied in aviation engines.

They describe the fuels used, their combustion and how they are mixed with air in proper proportion and introduced into the cylinder.

They treat the construction, operation, management, and maintenance of aviation engines.

They describe different types of airplanes, the materials and processes used in their construction, and the forms of airplane parts.

Special attention is given to the maintenance of airplanes, the alignment during assembly and erection, care in operation, inspection, upkeep, repairs, overhaul, disassembly, crating, shipment, storage, etc.

The arrangement is logical and the treatment clear.

They will put the student in possession of knowledge that would be difficult to obtain from other sources.

They quickly remove the handicap due to lack of opportunity, early neglect, or fail-

ure to appreciate the advantages of a technical training.

They give instruction in the theory and practice of flying that will aid in making preparation for the pilot's examinations.

Meteorology and air navigation are clearly explained.

They give a thorough training in subjects that an aviator must understand.

The structural details of airplanes are clearly explained."

The completion of a Marine Corps Institute course will not qualify the student to fly a plane or to repair a motor, but it will aid him in obtaining a certificate or license. "It is necessary to hold a certificate in order to be an aviation-engine mechanic, an airplane mechanic, or pilot. To take the certificate examination as an aviation-engine mechanic, one must have had at least one year's experience on the maintenance, repair and overhaul of aircraft engines. The experience on aircraft engines may be obtained as a helper to a mechanic holding a certificate or in a shop where aircraft engines are built.

To take a pilot's examination one must first pass a physical examination and have completed a number of hours of actual flying, the number depending on the rating for which application has been made. The applicant should first secure a copy of the Civil Air Regulations, which may be obtained by writing to the Civil Aeronautics Authority, Washington, D. C. These will give information on examination requirements.

"Aeronautical engineering is at present too difficult to be taught successfully other than in technical colleges. But many of the fundamentals can be learned by studying the selected list of subjects listed under Fundamentals of Aeronautical Engineering. Persons employed, or ambitious to be employed, in the engineering departments of plants that manufacture aircraft can qualify for advancement by studying this course."

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS INSTITUTE Marine Barracks, Washington, D. C.

Please send me information regarding the courses included in the group before which I have marked an X:

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YES, BROTHER...

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"Take it from me, brother—I know!"

"Seems like yesterday, I was buddies with another young chap in the shop. One day at lunch hour, he said to me, 'Ted, I figure the only way to get ahead on this job—or any other—is training! Why, if they offered me a foreman's job today, I couldn't handle it. Don't know enough! But I'm going to learn! I'm signing for an I.C.S. Course!"

"I said I might do the same—but while I was hemming and hawing, the old world was moving along . . . fast! Today, my old buddy is General Superintendent, and I'm still on the same old job!"

"Brother, Life won't wait for you! If you're going to amount to anything, ever, the time to start is right now!"

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SOUND OFF!

The Editor, THE LEATHERNECK,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Although I started to write only a note to inform you of my change of address I want to let you know how much the parents and relatives of the newly enlisted men enjoy THE LEATHERNECK.

My whole family and all our friends read and reread the magazine.

I have taken THE LEATHERNECK ever since my brother was transferred to Washington from Parris Island and now I am interested in the whole Marine Corps instead of just one.

Incidentally my new address will be 25 Granite Street, Portland, Maine.

Thanks again for a lot of entertainment from a swell magazine.

Yours truly,
MRS. ORGOOD WAITE.

Ed.—Thank you for the flowers.

The Editor, THE LEATHERNECK,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Your entertaining poetry page in July issue of THE LEATHERNECK carried one that pleased me immensely. Entitled "Soldiering in Panama," it portrayed a doleful picture of a weeping Jerry, whose lamentations were loud and long. The pay-off came with "Note added by Ex-Marine," who told him briefly but to the point: "You dog-faced doughboys just ain't got what it takes." My! My! Ain't it the truth! Of course, this is all in the spirit of friendly enemies, yet it proves what we all know and have long believed: For the Tops in soldiering it's the U. S. Marines! Hats off to you Leathernecks!! And lots of good luck!

Very sincerely,
MRS. WILLIAM S. CHRISTIAN.

Ed.—Mrs. Christian has the true Marine spirit.

The Editor, THE LEATHERNECK,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I would like to know if I could still purchase a copy of the book which you printed containing the colored plates illustrating the Marines' Hymn. I would like very much to own one of these books and I hope that you still have a few for sale.

I hope that this isn't causing you any inconvenience and I thank you cordially. Until I hear from you, I remain,

Yours truly,
GEORGE RUDY.

Ed.—There are a few Hymns left.

From the Editor's Desk

ENLISTED PAY INCREASE: Shortly before press time word came through that the Comptroller General had ruled the recent ten per cent increase to be given enlisted personnel of the army who had been in the service over a year was to apply to members of the Marine Corps. When this ruling is invoked, the date of which it was impossible to determine, the pay will be retroactive to August 18. Also before Congress for consideration these days is a bill calling for a flat twenty-five per cent increase in pay for non-commissioned officers of the various services.

ABOUT THE NORWEGIAN ARTICLE: In the account of the Norse sergeant's escape from his native land we think we have a real story. His description of conditions after the Nazi invasion and domination are of fine calibre. Incidentally, this soldier, who is now in the United States, is preparing shortly to go to Canada, where he will join the RAF. For obvious reasons he asked that his name be withheld.

CLIPPED FROM THE PAPERS: This is one of the latest about equipment shortages. It seems that during maneuvers of a certain army division a command car bearing a brigadier general rounded a curve and came upon a soldier squatting in the road. The soldier did not move and the car was forced to stop. The general asked the soldier what he was doing and got this reply: "Sir, I'm a tank block."

ANTICIPATING NOVEMBER: Newest addition for between the covers of our November Anniversary Edition are several splendid drawings of the very early history of the corps. They'll look good in that scrapbook of yours.

GENERAL BRECKENRIDGE: We are sorry to record, this month, the retirement of Major General Breckenridge. General Breckenridge has been a true friend of THE LEATHERNECK, and we, and the Corps, are losing a true friend and real soldier.

Gyngles of a Gyrene

THE OLD MARINE

By R. E. Nall

In a water front bar there was sitting
An old Marine Sergeant one day,
In his pocket a check for his money,
In his mouth was a pipe of clay.

By his side, neat and trim, was another.
A young Marine, flippant and gay.
Sitting, and politely yawning
As he heard the old Sergeant say:

"The Honor and Glory of the Marine Corps
Was not won on a parade ground," said he,
"Nor yet was it won on the quarter deck
Of some battleship out at sea.

But in mud and dust, where your insides
rust,
And you are hungry, dirty and cold;
But the fight was hot when you cast your
lot

With men that were both brave and bold

The blue of your coat that's so pretty.
The red in those stripes, and the gold
Were won by brave men, who died
gallantly
Back in the days of old.

Left in your hands is their Honor,
You're but filling the shoes of the ghost.
Of brave men, long gone before you;
Walking now their last sentry post.

Guard, cherish, and respect you their
Honor,
Bring you not shame to the dead,
Less uneasy will be the last slumber
Of those old ones who fought, suffered and
bled.

Hold high then your banner of Courage,
Keep faith, be true, be clean, and
Add with your might to that Honor so
bright,
The Honor of the U. S. Marines.

TRAIL'S END

By Albert N. Grandey

I want to taste the joy of travel,
The sorrow the bitterness and tears,
To gather experience from the world
And watch the change that comes with
years.

Wish to travel down the pathway
Of life in its present state
And note the change in joy and sorrow
That the coming years will make.

Know the sorrowing, suffering, dying.
Help them in their pain and woe;
Give to them what 'ere God gives me,
Giving all that's good within me as I go.

In after years, mayhap in poverty,
Look back upon the pathway I traverse.
See a man, a pal of my boyhood
Living in the way he thinks is first.

In the years he hoards his riches
Does the voice within me lie,
Shall my riches not be greater
When the trail's end is nigh?

Published from "The Midnight Sun"
Laugardaginn, Iceland

"THE MARINES' HYMN"

"new verse"

Again in Nineteen Forty-One
We sailed a northward course
And found beneath the midnight sun,
The Viking and the Norse.
The Iceland girls were fair,
And every Gyrene mounted guard,
Astride a polar bear.

"WHY MAIL CLERKS GROW GREY"

Fan Mail

Our shipmates ask a question
A thousand times a day,
One thousand times and not in rhymes,
"Will there be mail today?"

They'll read it in the paper:
In schedules that we show
And an hour later they will ask
"When does the next one go?"

Now it's really very simple
It happens every week,
Just ponder o'er this ditty
And think before you speak.

The Matson ship comes Wednesdays
It's the one that brings the most.
She takes the mail on Fridays
And brings it to the Coast.

Between times there's a clipper
And sometimes there'll be two.
It's usually on the weekends
The flying mail is due.

'Bout once a month, a steamer
For the Orient is bound,
Just once a month, my shipmates
She brings the mail around.

They'll wake us on the mid-watch
When dim are all the lamps,
"I'm sorry to disturb you,
I'd like three one cent stamps."

Or perhaps it's money orders
It's on weekdays that they sell.
Don't get mad if you ask on week-ends
And are told to go to hell.

But of all the pests that hound us
This is the worst,
He dogs our footsteps daily:
Upon him be a curse.

"You guys are lousy postmen.
I got no mail today."
I'll bet it's been a month at least
Since he sent one away.

So fellows take it easy,
We only dish it out.
And when we haven't one for you
Please don't rave and shout.

If you don't get your letter
It's 'cause she didn't write,
And not because two overlooked guys
Will give no mail tonight.

"NAUTICAL CONFUSION"

By Paul Hammocks

I find that Naval slang is most peculiar,
And is very, very hard to understand.
I asked a sailor where I'd find the landing,
To which he said, "It's on your starboard hand."

I asked him if he could be more explicit,
And he obviously was happy to comply.
But he started in a jargon quite beyond
me,

The truth of which I hardly could deny.
"In the first place, port is opposite of
starboard,

Unless the port you're entering is right.
In that case, you will find port on the
starboard,
And the starboard of the port is now in
sight.

"When you leave the port it's altogether
different,
For the port that's left is off the star-
board beam.
The port that stays is left, is facing for-
ward,

And it's right, if you're looking aft, so
it would seem."

The sailor asked me if I understood now,
The proper way to navigate on land.
I assured him that I understood quite
plainly,
But would he kindly point towards
"starboard hand."

LIGHTS O' DAY

By Charles Day

He's gone to that far away land of peace
Where troubles are never known,
To the gardens rich with the fairest
flow'rs

That nowhere on earth are grown,
And around his head I am sure there shines
As bright as the noonday sun
A halo reflecting the worth while deeds
Of this man whose life is run.

His place wasn't high in this world of men,
And he had not much to leave
Except the respect of a host of friends,
The friends who are left to grieve,
And I'm sure with me they are missing him
And wondering just a bit
If the world isn't, well a better world
Because he had lived in it.



Photo by Marine Corps Schools

PARACHUTISTS PROVE RUGGEDNESS

Lieut. P. W. Densman, U.S.M.C.R., and his parachute Marines, who shattered the Nazi marching time by covering 40 miles in 12 hours and 30 minutes.

Marines Smash Record

Men of the Corps have long been recognized as being rugged, rough and hardy. They are trained to take it as well as dish it out. But THE LEATHERNECK is willing to doff its tin derby to the newly created parachute outfit, whose latest achievement was to lower the Germans' much-vaunted marching time by a considerable degree.

It all happened when the Nazis boasted that their parachute troops had marched overland 40 miles in 20 hours. This record was brought to the Marines' attention. Lieut. P. W. Densman, USMCR, thought something should be done about it.

He called for volunteers, and despite the fact that it was a half-holiday, response was almost unanimous. The lieutenant selected 32 men. Carrying packs, extra shoes and platoon combat weapons, they piled into trucks and were transported to a spot near Linton Hall, Va., 40 miles from Quantico.

There, at 11 a.m., the Marines climbed out of the truck and began their man-killing hike. They cut across country, below Manassas, and headed for home.

They covered the first 7 miles in an hour and a quarter. Lieut. Densman, realizing such pace could not be maintained by human beings, reduced the speed.

At noon they halted for a regulation Marine Corps chow, consisting of beans, lettuce, oranges and coffee. After a brief rest they were off again.

Mile after mile pounded away beneath their feet. They ate a roadside supper, then continued their hike. Exactly 12 hours and 30 minutes after they started, lowering the Nazi record by seven and a half hours, the Marine parachutists were back in Quantico.

"The remarkable thing," Lieut. Densman said, "is that every man jack finished on his feet, fit for combat. None fell out, and there were no casualties."

The unit is part of the command of Capt. R. H. Williams' hand-picked parachutists. They are rugged lads with adventurous hearts. Volunteers for this service are plentiful, but only top grade Marines are accepted.

BOOK REVIEWS

LEADERSHIP FOR AMERICAN ARMY LEADERS, by Major Edward Lyman Munson, Jr., Infantry, U. S. Army. Washington: The Infantry Journal, 1941. 96 pages.

This is a pamphlet, capable of being read in one hour, which should be in the reference library of every new officer, Army, Navy, Marine Corps.

It contains, in simple readable language, an outline of the principles of successful leadership. High morale, and how to obtain it, is emphasized. Methods and suggestions given are applicable to platoons and companies, but may be applied to any other units.

Points covered included: manner of the leader, his language, his tact, cheerfulness and gloom, courtesy, initiative, loyalty, discipline, training and competition.

The author himself declares that a good leader will not be developed from a poor one by one reading of this book. It will, however, repay a careful study and decided benefits will accrue to the officer, junior or senior, who makes an intelligent effort to apply the ideas proposed.

THE AIRMEN SPEAK, by the Officers and Men of the R.A.F.; selected by Wing Commander Bentley Beauman, preface by Marshal of the R.A.F., The Viscount Trenchard. Published by Doubleday, Doran & Co. \$2.50.

Commander Beauman has introduced his selections with a compiler's note in which he very adequately explains:

"The stories which appear in this book have been selected from among some 150 broadcast talks given at the B.B.C. and transmitted to many parts of the world between December, 1939 and February, 1941. They were broadcasts by R.A.F. officers and airmen and the W.A.A.F. (Women's Auxiliary Air Force).

"In their choice no attempt has been made to consider literary merit, but rather to give as comprehensive a picture as possible of the wide and varied activities during that period of the Home Commands of the R.A.F.—both in the air and on the ground.

"The talks have been arranged in chronological order and so depict to some extent the constantly changing phases of the war.

"I should add that the scripts have not been altered and are now published in the form in which they were originally broadcast."

For the most part, these stories speak for themselves. They describe tersely and pithily combats between fighters, bombing raids over Germany and Italy, North Sea reconnaissance flights, and the training, maintenance, and intelligence corps which are so vital to a modern air force. In the book we find accounts of exploits of American, Dominion, and Allied officers and men. There are few attempts at vivid description beyond what is absolutely necessary to hold the listeners' (in this case) interest; on the other hand, we find a reticence concealed of bravery and self-depreciation, and this in itself is effective. Except that the British forces are always shown in their hour of victory, there is little or no propaganda instilled in this collection; the only attitude displayed towards the Germans is one of tolerant understanding and semi-contemptuous friendliness. All this may or may not be the result of careful editing; in either case, what of it? Someone has done a good job.

THE STAMP CORNER

By
CHARLES INGLEE

The following news releases issued by the Navy Department on September 8 will be of interest to all cover collectors:

NAVY AGAIN GRANTS PERMISSION FOR COMMISSIONING DAY CACHETS

Good news for stamp collectors!

Permission for the issuance of special cachets to commemorate the commissioning of new ships was granted today in a letter sent by the Bureau of Navigation to all Navy ships and stations.

Such cachets were discontinued several months ago when the Navy laid down its policy against publicity regarding the location and movements of ships.

Undoubtedly this change in the restrictions regarding philatelic mail will meet with general approval of all collectors, and should do much to stimulate interest in naval postmark collecting among those who do not now enjoy the hobby.

With the entire country becoming more and more aware of the seriousness of the present emergency, the affairs of the Navy—the first line of the nation's defense—will command greater attention. Attractive cachets on thousands of pieces of philatelic mail will play their part in making the country conscious of the efforts being made to preserve our ideals and customs.

Announced by the Post Office Department too late to be included in this column, the 6c and 10c stamps of the Presidential Issue, with electric eye perforations, were placed on sale at the City Post Office here in Washington on September 25th. While it is now too late for first-day covers, collectors may obtain copies of the stamp from the Philatelic Agency.

On October 20, the 11c, 12c, 13c, 14c, and 15c stamps of the same series will be issued with electric eye perforations. Neither the Post Office Department nor the Philatelic Agency will undertake to service covers for collectors—because of the small number of identification marks on each sheet—but this column will perform that service for its readers under the conditions outlined in last month's magazine.

Suva, in the Fiji Islands, will be made a stop for trans-Pacific air mail clippers on the route between San Francisco and New Zealand. The first trip is expected to occur about the middle of this month.

Details and rates may be obtained from your local postmaster. However, because of the shortness of time (deadline is October 13) it is suggested that orders be placed with the Pan American Airways, San Francisco, Calif.

First day cover totals for stamps of the new air mail series show a decided decrease as the value of the stamps increase. How-

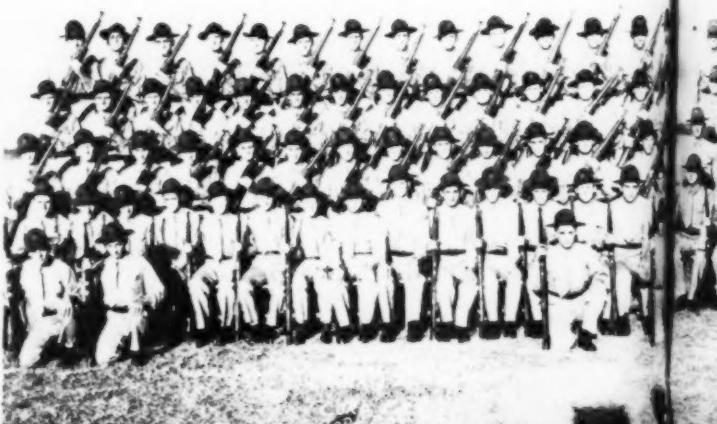
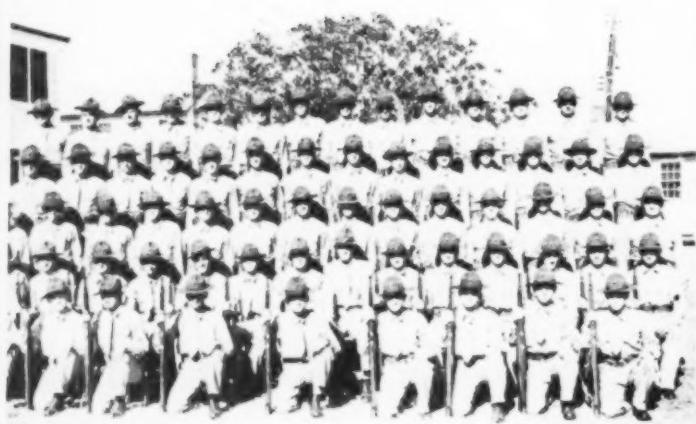
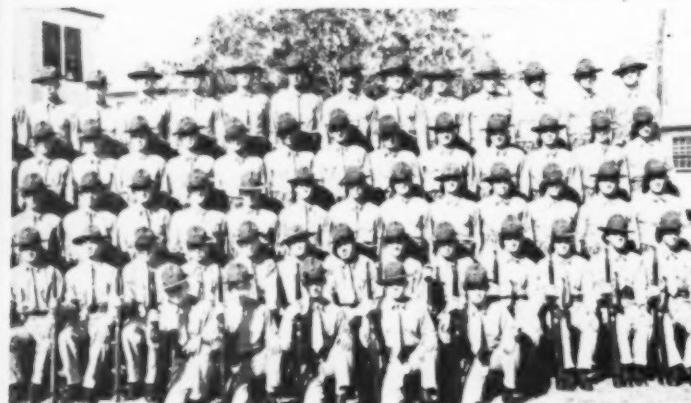
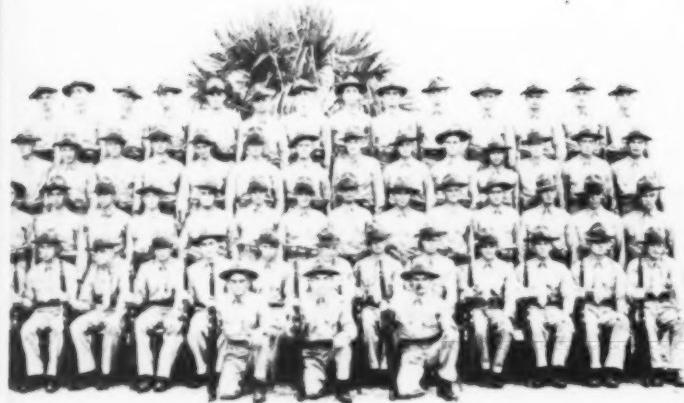
ever, the high values of the denominations do not entirely account for what appears, at first, to be a sudden lack of interest in covers on the part of collectors. Other factors must be taken into consideration, chief of these being that collectors in most foreign countries are not permitted to send remittances to pay for even one stamp. When present world conditions are straightened out, and Europeans can once more resume their collecting activities, the law of supply and demand should work to the advantage of those who have an extra air mail cover to dispose of.

First-day covers canceled with the 10c, 15c, and 20c stamps of the series are as follows:

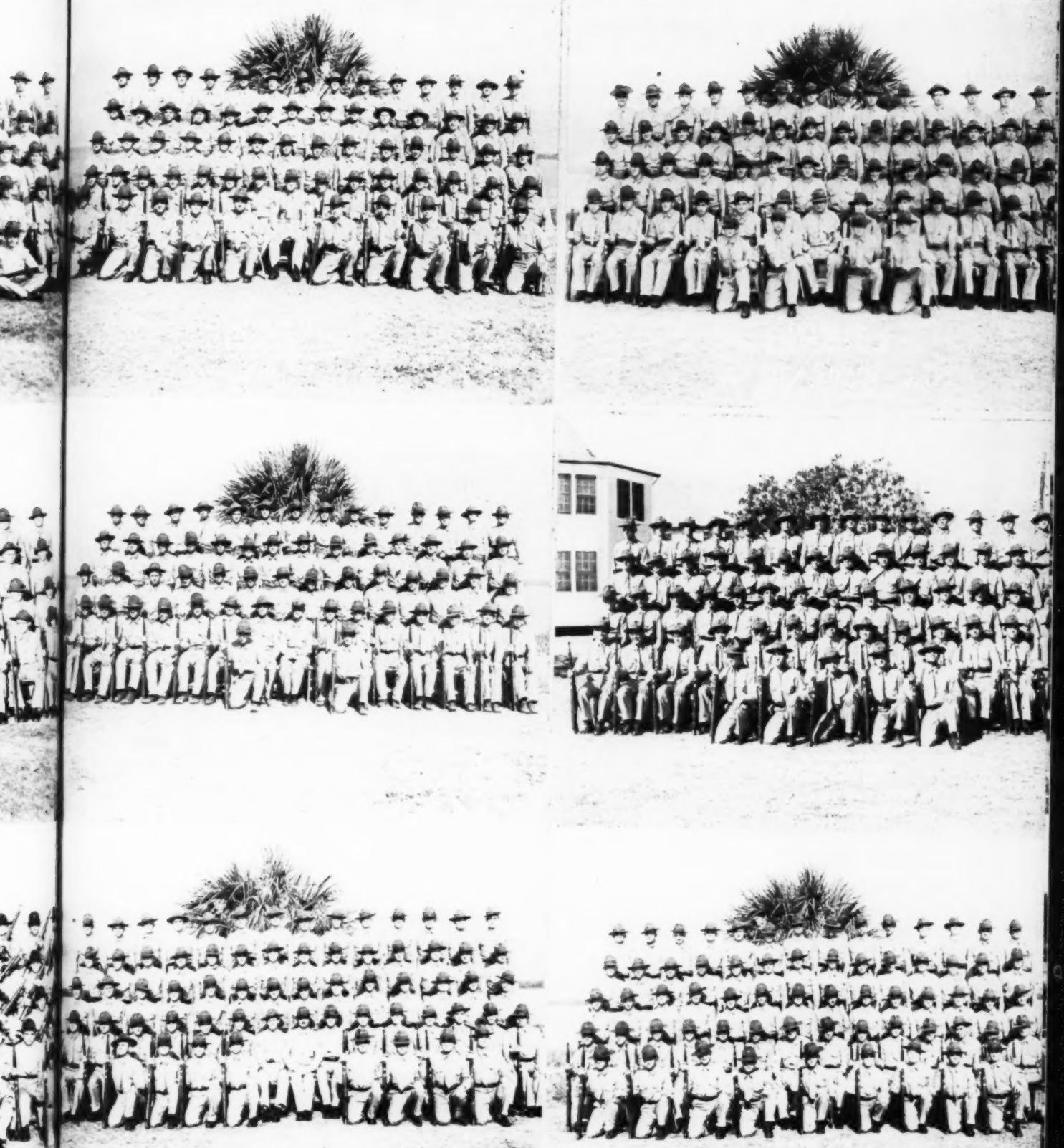
10c	87,712
15c	74,000
20c	66,225

Petty "chiseling" in the redemption of Defense Postal Savings Stamps has apparently become so widespread that the Post Office Department has cautioned all postmasters to examine carefully all cards and albums submitted for redemption. The reason for the warning is that attempts have been made to substitute 1-cent postage stamps for the green 25-cent savings stamps.

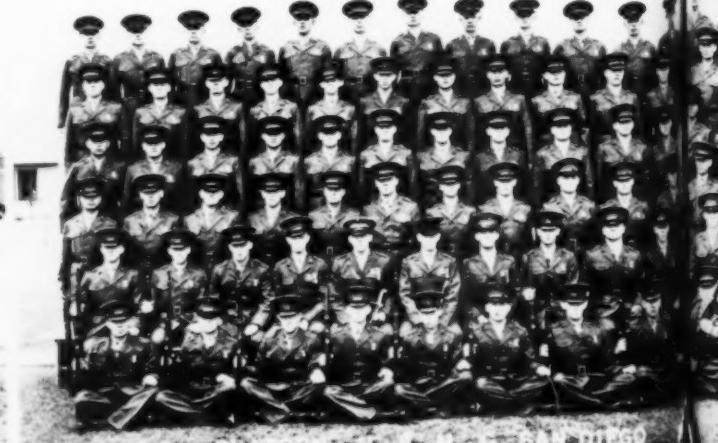
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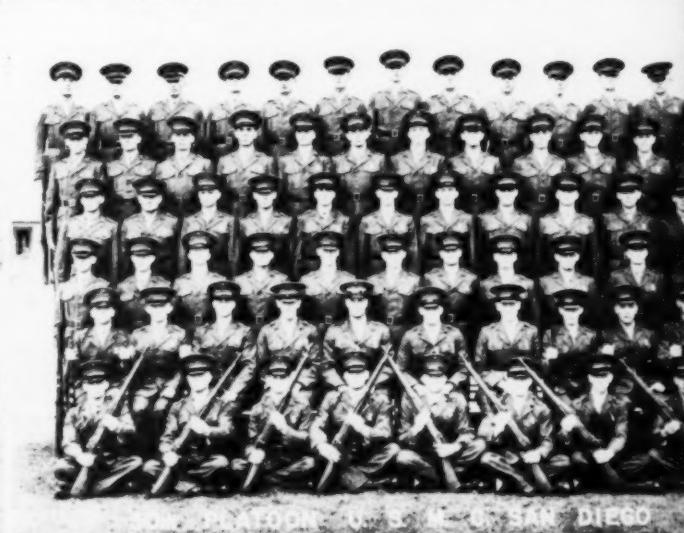
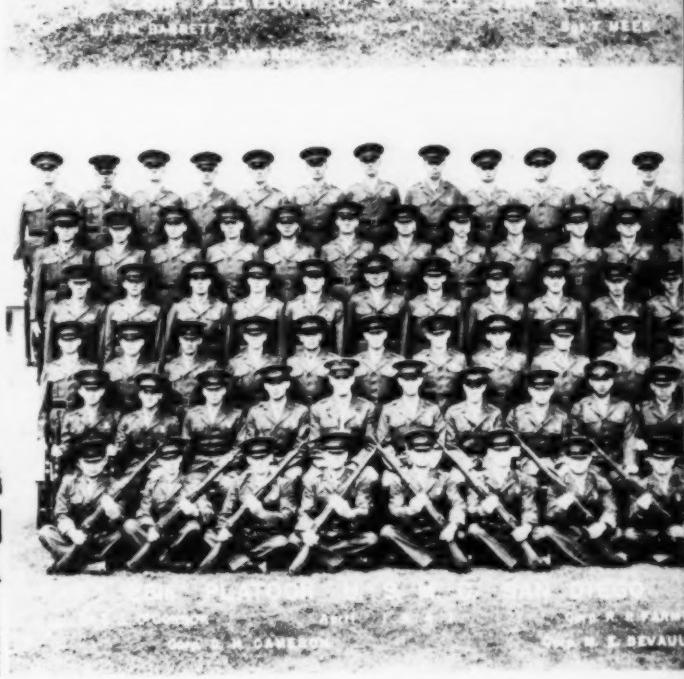
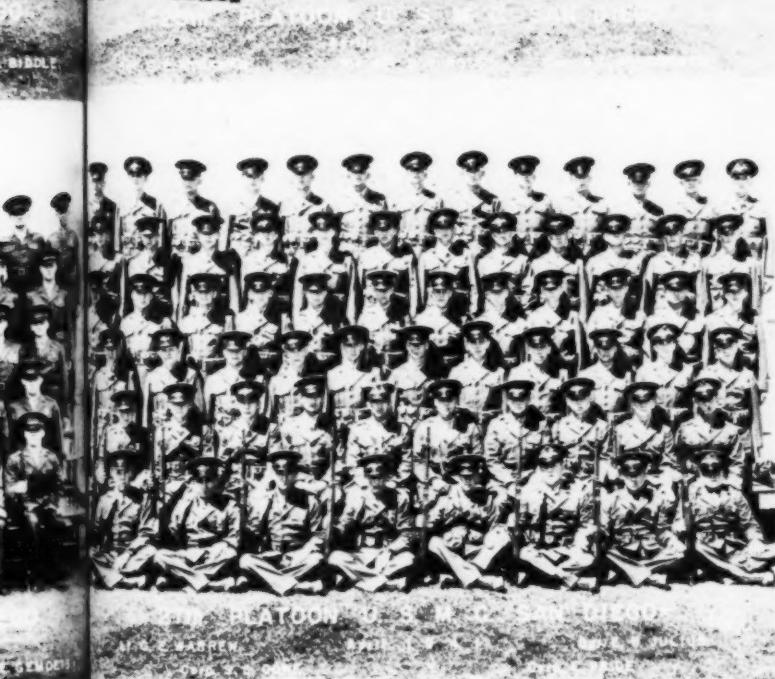
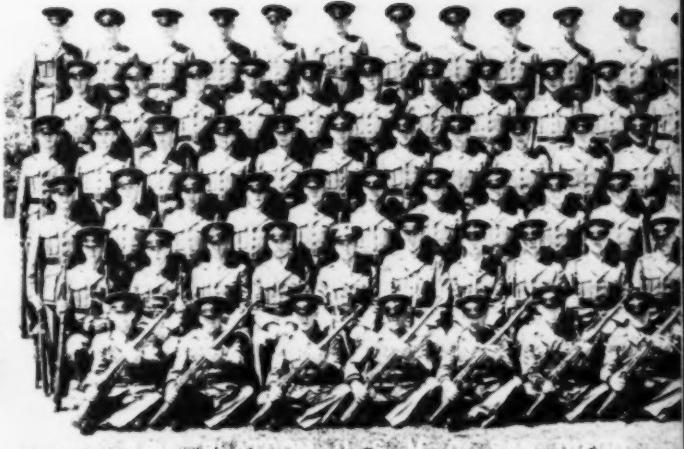
RECRUITS



WEST COAST



NEWCOMERS



Scuttled from the Fleet

Capt.: What's your name and what company do you want to go to?

Recruit (who stutters): Put-t-put-t-t.

Capt. (writing): Can't speak English and wants to go to a machine gun company.

Koko: "Say, Maw, will I put the parrot on the back porch?"

Maw: "No, certainly not, your paw is out there fixing the car."

Boot: "What rank is an officer with one star?"

Other Boot: "Sheriff!"

A father took his little boy, Billy, to the park, and there the youngster saw a stork among other interesting exhibits. The boy seemed to be greatly interested in the stork, and looked at him as long as he could. Then, turning to his father, he said, disappointedly: "Daddy, he never recognized me."

Rastus: "Say, bo, what all is taet?"

Sambo: "Well, iffen you tells Liza that time stops when yo all look into her eyes dat's tact; but iffen you all says 'Liza, you face would stop a clock, dat's yo tuf luck!'"

Sergeant: "I feel like the oldest man in the world."

Corporal: "Why, there's nothing the matter, is there?"

Sergeant: "No, but I've just been listening to an eighteen-year-old private tell about the things he used to do when he was a kid."

First M.P.: "Get the number of that speeder's car?"

Second M.P.: "Nope. He was too darn fast for me! But, say, that number in the front seat with him was certainly a honey, wasn't she? Blonde, blue eyes, about five feet two, I'd say some 115 pounds bathside. Red hat, sport togs, white shoes, Nylon hose."

First M.P.: "Yeah—and boy! What a dazzling smile!"—*National*.

Lady: "I want to see some kid gloves for my eight-year-old daughter, please."

Policeman Clerk: "Yes, ma'm, white kid!"

Lady: "Sir!"—*White Caps*.

"I know a girl who plays piano by ear."

"Shucks, 'Taint nothin'. I know an old man who fiddles with his whiskers."—*White Caps*.

Gal: "If we are going to see a baseball game I want to know more about it."

Sailor: "Alright, I will start off by showing you what is called a squeeze play."

Gal: "Oh no you don't. I'm talking about baseball."—*Just Humor*.

"Next to a beautiful girl, what do you consider the most interesting thing in the world?"

"When I'm next to a beautiful girl, I don't bother about statistics."—*Just Humor*.

Furious Female: This vanishing cream is a fake.

Druggist: What do you mean?

Furious Female: I've been using it on my nose for two weeks and it's just as long as it ever was.

Prof.: "You notice I place the worm in water, it wiggles, it lives. I then place it in a glass of vile whiskoy, it dies a sudden death. Does this, soldiers, mean anything to you?"

Student: "Yeah, I'll never have worms."

One on the House

"Come, little doggie," said the old oak tree.

"Come over and have one on me."

"Can't," said the doggie, shy as a mouse.

"For I've just had one on the house."

—*Ready Aim Fire*.

Customer: That chicken I bought for last Sunday's dinner had no wishbone.

Butcher: It was a happy, contented chick-en, madam. It had nothing to wish for.

Old Maid: "But why should a great strong man like you have to beg for dimes?"

Panhandler: "Dear lady, it is the only profession I know in which a gentleman can address a beautiful woman without an introduction."—*Humor*.

Gal at dance: "I've heard so much about the Navy's chief petting officers I'd like to meet one."—*Humor*.

Diner: "Have you any wild duck?"

Waiter: "No, sir, but we can take a tame one and irritate it for you."

Three collective nouns: Flypaper, waste paper-basket, and that pack of ciggies you break out in your squadroom.—*Our Army*.

"Now, Blondie, what a night we had last night! Betcha we musta stood up in front of at least a dozen bars!"

"Yeah. And that ain't all we stood up in front of, either, soldier! Don't you remember, we also stood up in front of a preach er!"—*Our Army*.

The boat was sinking and the skipper rushed up to a crowd of scared passengers. "Who among you can pray?" he asked.

"I can," answered a minister.

"Then pray, mister!" ordered the skipper. "The rest of you put on life preservers. We're one short."—*Service Humor*.

Worried Mother: "How old are those hoses? My boy is apt to meet when he goes to camp!"

Draft Board Official: "Old enough to be discreet, madam."

Worried Mother: "Don't lie to me, young fellow! No woman ever lived that long."—*Service Humor*.

Sightseeing Guide (in Boston): On your right you see the tablet marking the spot where Paul Revere stood waiting for the signal to be hung in the Old North church.

Sweet Young Thing: Oh dear; what a shame! and why did they pick the Old North church to hang him in?"—*Defender*.

THE GAZETTE

REGULARS

Commissioned and Warrant—August 31.....	1,774
Enlisted—August 31.....	45,230

RESERVES ON ACTIVE DUTY

Commissioned and Warrant—August 31.....	1,487
Enlisted—August 31.....	11,228

RETIRED ON ACTIVE DUTY

Commissioned and Warrant—August 31.....	157
Enlisted—August 31.....	4

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Commissioned and Warrant—August 31.....	3,418
Enlisted—August 31.....	56,462

Total Strength Marine Corps—August 31..... 59,880



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Russel, W. J. (LINE)
Sander, V. A. (LINE)
Sourkessian, R. (LINE)
Tinsley, W. W., Jr. (LINE)
Turner, S. C. (LINE)
Lane, L. (AVIA)
Krupski, P. P. (AVIA)
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Law, J. G. (AVIA)
Lesyk, W. N. (AVIA)
Lindsey, H. R. (COMM)
Lobwek, F. Jr. (AVIA)
Longstreth, H. J. (AVIA)
Lyman, T. C. (COMM)
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Marcum, W. J. (AVIA)
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Mason, R. E. (COMM)
Matthews, W. A. (AVIA)
Maynard, B. W., Jr. (FM)
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Morton, A. J. (AVIA)
Murawski, W. S. (SHIP)

McCarthy, J. C., Jr. (SHIP)
McClure, D., Jr. (AVIA)
McCurdy, D. R. (SHIP)
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Pinchem, H. F. (QM)
Ford, A. P. (QM)
Groves, E. M. (LINE)
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Wells, R. S. (F.C.)
Connors, P. P. (Ret'd RCTG)
Nicholson, D. D., Jr. (Ret'd RETG)
Owen, R. L. (Ret'd RCTG)
Keels, N. O. (QM)
Madsen, L. G. (LINE)
Perry, H. C. (AVIA)
McGoldrick, P. H. (AVIA)
Smith, Max D., Jr. (LINE)
Smith, R. V. (LINE)
Wright, J. K., Jr. (QM)
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Brake, A. R. (SHIP)
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Augustine, C. L. (AVIA)
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Bloodworth, J. W. (AVIA)

McNussen, N. E. (LINE)
Newlin, K. L. (COMM)
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O'Brien, J. G. (FIRE)
Okonski, C. R. (SHIP)
Perlmutter, A. R. (AVIA)
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Ray, V. G. (AVIA)
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Ross, J. J. (AVIA)
Saenger, D. C. (SHIP)
Sherman, H. H., Jr. (SHIP)
Sines, L. W. (SHIP)
Smith, L. W. (LINE)
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Stewart, W. (AVIA)
Tucker, H. A. (AVIA)
Whitson, W. A. (AVIA)
Ousmaner, B. (J)
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Hamlin, R. A. (LINE)
Whitener, R. L. (AVIA)
Ackerman, C. F. (LINE)
Agee, G. E. (AVIA)
Anderson, W. D. (AVIA)
Angelica, L. D. (AVIA)
Argo, H. D. (AVIA)
Barber, C. A. (AVIA)
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Carrell, W. B. (AVIA)
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Hutchison, C. B. (AVIA)

RETIRED

QM Sgt. Godfrey N. Anderson, USMCR., retired—1 September, 1941.
 Corporal Herbert A. Bowd, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Sergeant Anderson L. Mullinix, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Sgt. Maj. Ernest S. Conn, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 1st Sgt. "J" Fred Turpin, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Sgt. Maj. William H. Woods, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Sgt. Jesse B. Wills, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Gy. Sgt. Basin O. Thomason, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Sgt. Charles Stahl, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Sgt. Maj. Eugene F. Smith, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Pfc. Sgt. George H. Simmons, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Pfc. Oscar P. H. McCord, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Sgt. Wilbur L. Kunes, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Gy. Sgt. Carl W. Daulton, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 MT Sgt. Max Cox, USMCR., retired—1 August, 1941.
 Corp. Willie R. Hood, USMCR., retired—1 September, 1941.
 Sgt. Paul W. Lahne, USMCR., retired—1 September, 1941.
 1st Sgt. William Carleton, USMCR., retired—1 September, 1941.
 Sgt. Maj. Frank N. Miller, USMCR., retired—1 September, 1941.
 TSgt. Albert W. Hendershot, USMCR., retired—1 September, 1941.
 Gy. Sgt. Wilson R. Santmyre, USMCR., retired—1 September, 1941.
 Gy. Sgt. Ernest V. Madcox, USMCR., retired—1 September, 1941.
 1st Sgt. Eugene Bouscreau, USMCR., retired—1 September, 1941.
 Sgt. Earl Van Houten, USMCR., retired—1 September, 1941.

TAPS

The following deaths have been reported to the Marine Corps Headquarters Casualty Section during the month of August 1941:

CLINTON, Thomas Micks, Col., USMC., retired, died 5 August, 1941, at Stratford, Connecticut. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary G. Clinton, wife, 2016 Elm Street, Stratford, Connecticut.

PERKINS, Constantine Marrast, Col., USMC., retired, died 2 August, 1941, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Washington, D. C. Next of kin: Mrs. Stella C. Perkins, 3133 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

BARBER, Tom Dustin, Lt. Col., USMC., retired, active, died 10 August, 1941, at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Virginia. Next of kin: Mrs. Rosa L. Barber, wife, Quarters M-6, Norfolk Navy Yard, Portsmouth, Virginia.

BRACKETT, William, Lt. Col., USMC., retired, died 5 August, 1941, at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Brooklyn, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Neddie S. Brackett, wife, 175 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York.

NEILL, John Baldwin, Jr., Maj. USMCR., active, died 13 August, 1941, at the U. S. Naval Hos-

pital, Washington, D. C. Next of kin: Mrs. J. B. Neill, Jr., wife, 3536 "S" Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

DURNING, Alvin Condon, Capt., USMCR., active, died 10 August, 1941, near Pensacola, Florida. Mrs. Celia M. Durning, wife, 1656 Dufosset Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

CRISMAN, Donald Fred, 2d Lt., USMCR., active, died 30 August 1941, near Waldorf, Maryland. Next of kin: Mrs. Mildred J. Crisman, mother, 883 Ottawa Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

HARBUCK, Otto Kinzel, Av. Cad., USMCR., active, died 19 August, 1941, near Miami, Florida. Next of kin: Mr. and Mrs. James L. Harbuck, parents, General Delivery, Williamsburg, Kentucky.

STONESTREET, Samuel Martin Blackman, Av. Cad., USMCR., active, died 29 August, 1941, at Miami, Florida. Next of kin: Mrs. Esther W. Stonestreet, mother, 2006 Columbia Road, N. W., Washington, D. C.

RICHARDSON, Morris Calvin, Sgt. Maj., USMC., died 11 August, 1941, at San Diego, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Winifred C. Richardson, wife, P. O. Box No. 1, Bryte, California.

WHITNEY, Curtis Owen, Sgt. Maj., FMCR., inactive, died 23 July, 1941, at the Veterans' Administration Facility, San Fernando, California. Next of kin: Mrs. E. L. Whitney, mother, 4226 East 4th Street, Long Beach, California.

HOPKINS, Ivan Montelle, Gy. Sgt., USMC., died 30 August, 1941, at San Diego, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Nora Hopkins, mother, Hennings, Tennessee.

MALONE, John Francis, Gy. Sgt., USMC., retired, died 4 July 1941, at the Newcomb Hospital, Landis, New Jersey. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen Israel, daughter, R.F.D. No. 6, Bridgeton, New Jersey.

SIMKO, John William, Tech. Sgt., USMC., died 21 August, 1941, at Quantico, Virginia. Next of kin: Mr. John Simko, father, 1051 Indiana Avenue, Glassport, Pennsylvania.

CATT, Joseph Arthur, Pl. Sgt., USMC., died 27 August, 1941, at Parris Island, South Carolina. Next of kin: Mrs. Dorothy V. Catt, wife, 1528 Ward Terrace, Portsmouth, Virginia.

BADE, Elmer Carl, Cpl., USMC., died 28 August, 1941, at the U. S. Naval Hospital, San Diego, California. Next of kin: Mr. Roy D. Barton, brother, Madison Street, Lake Mills, Wisconsin.

SELLERS, Stonewall, Cpl., USMC., died 22 August, 1941, at the U. S. Naval Hospital, San Diego, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Jessie Seller, mother, Altha, Florida.

FONTAINE, Raymond Emile, Cpl., USMCR., active, died 5 August, 1941, at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Quantico, Virginia. Next of kin: Mrs. Viola Fontaine, mother, 17 Lafayette Street, Lowell, Massachusetts.

MILLS, Harry Wesley, Pfc., USMC., died 27 August, 1941, at Mobile, Alabama. Next of kin: Mrs. Callie Mills, mother, Waynesboro, Mississippi.

BELTRAM, James Rosselli, Pvt., USMC., died 18 August, 1941, at San Diego, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Ana M. Beltram, mother, 223 Callaghan Avenue, San Antonio, Texas.

GREENE, George Thomas, Pvt., USMC., died 2 August, 1941, at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Parris Island, South Carolina. Next of kin: Mr. Joseph Greene, father, 396 Grand Avenue, New Haven, Connecticut.

WHEELER, Brooks Hayes, Pvt., USMC., died 2 August, 1941, at the Parkland Hospital, Dallas, Texas. Next of kin: Mr. James R. Wheeler, father, East 8th Street, Russellville, Arkansas.

VAUGHN, William C., Pvt., USMC., died 2 August, 1941, at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Newport, Rhode Island. Next of kin: Mr. Christopher C. Vaughn, father, Route No. 1, Vincent, Alabama.

WASHBURN, Slater, Major, USMCR, active, died 12 July 1941, at the University Club, Washington, D. C. Next of kin: Mrs. Lylla J. Washburn, wife, Narragansett Pier, Rhode Island.

SLINGLUFF, Robert Francis, Captain, USMC, retired, died 2 July 1941 at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Norfolk, Virginia. Next of kin: Mrs. W. L. Marbury, sister, 159 West Lanvale Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

DONOVAN, John Gerald, Aviation Cadet, USMCR, active, died 30 July 1941 near Milton, Florida. Next of kin: Mrs. William Donovan, mother, 176 West Main Street, Middletown, New York.

MOLLOY, Thomas Francis, Marine Gunner, USMC, retired, died 20 July 1941 at Pembroke, Massachusetts. Next of kin: Mrs. Catherine A. Molley, wife, 52 Shepard Avenue, Bryantville.

COURTNEY, James, Master Gunnery Sergeant, USMC, died 26 July 1941 at Midway Island. Next of kin: Mrs. Irma L. Courtney, wife, 1930 Chestnut Street, Long Beach, California.

STROUD, Samuel Tommie, Quartermaster Sergeant, USMC, died 1 July 1941 at U. S. Naval Hospital, San Diego, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Estelle Kay Stroud, stepmother, 2607 San Pedro Street, Austin, Texas.

HALE, John Sherman, Quartermaster Sergeant, FMCR, active, died 18 July 1941 near Triangle, Virginia. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen Eubanks Hale, wife, Route 629, Triangle, Virginia.

BATCHELOR, Frank, Staff Sergeant, USMC, retired, died 21 July 1941 at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Washington, D. C. Next of kin: Mrs. John J. Bettom, cousin, 710 Fourteenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

McGRAW, Robert Elmer, Mess Sergeant, USMC, died 7 July 1941, at U. S. Naval Hospital, Parrish Island, South Carolina. Next of kin: Mrs. Gertrude Z. McGraw, mother, 2907 Norwich Street, Brunswick, Georgia.

KENSMOE, Guy Willard, Corporal, USMCR(F), inactive, died 25 June 1941, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Next of kin: Mr. Otto Kensmoe, father, Route No. 2, Whitehall, Wisconsin.

DABE, Prosper Charles, Private First Class, USMC, died 11 July 1941 at U. S. Naval Hospital, Canacao, Philippine Islands. Next of kin: Mrs. Josephine Lerow, mother, 2421 Wilson Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

REYNOLDS, Arthur Lawrence, Private First Class, USMC, died 28 July 1941 at U. S. Naval Hospital, Parrish Island, South Carolina. Next of kin: Mr. Clarence Reynolds, father, Linesville, Pennsylvania.

WOTRING, Ellsworth Welcome, Private First Class, USMC, died 14 July 1941 at U. S. Naval Hospital, Parrish Island, South Carolina. Next of kin: Mr. Fred Giering, father-in-law, 126 Second Street, Catasauqua, Pennsylvania.

ZOBAC, Marvin Miroslav, Private First Class, USMC, died 25 July 1941 at the U. S. Naval Hospital, San Diego, California. Next of kin: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zobac, parents, 86 Twenty-second Avenue, S. W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

KYLE, Ralph Linwood, Private, USMCR, active, died 16 July 1941 at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Norfolk, Virginia. Next of kin: Mr. and Mrs. James R. Kyle, parents, 2344 Massachusetts Avenue, Roanoke, Virginia.

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Maj.-General Holland M. Smith, USMC, has been named commander of the newly-created combat unit—The Atlantic Amphibious Force. The Force will be composed of the 1st Marine Division, 1st Marine Aviation Wing, The Base Depot at Charleston, and Army Troops as assigned.

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